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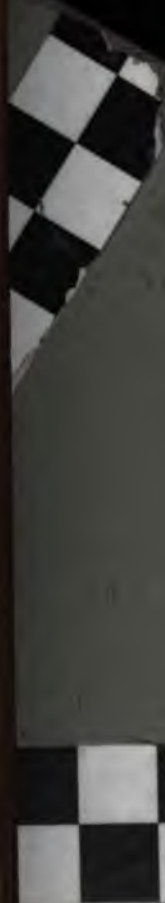
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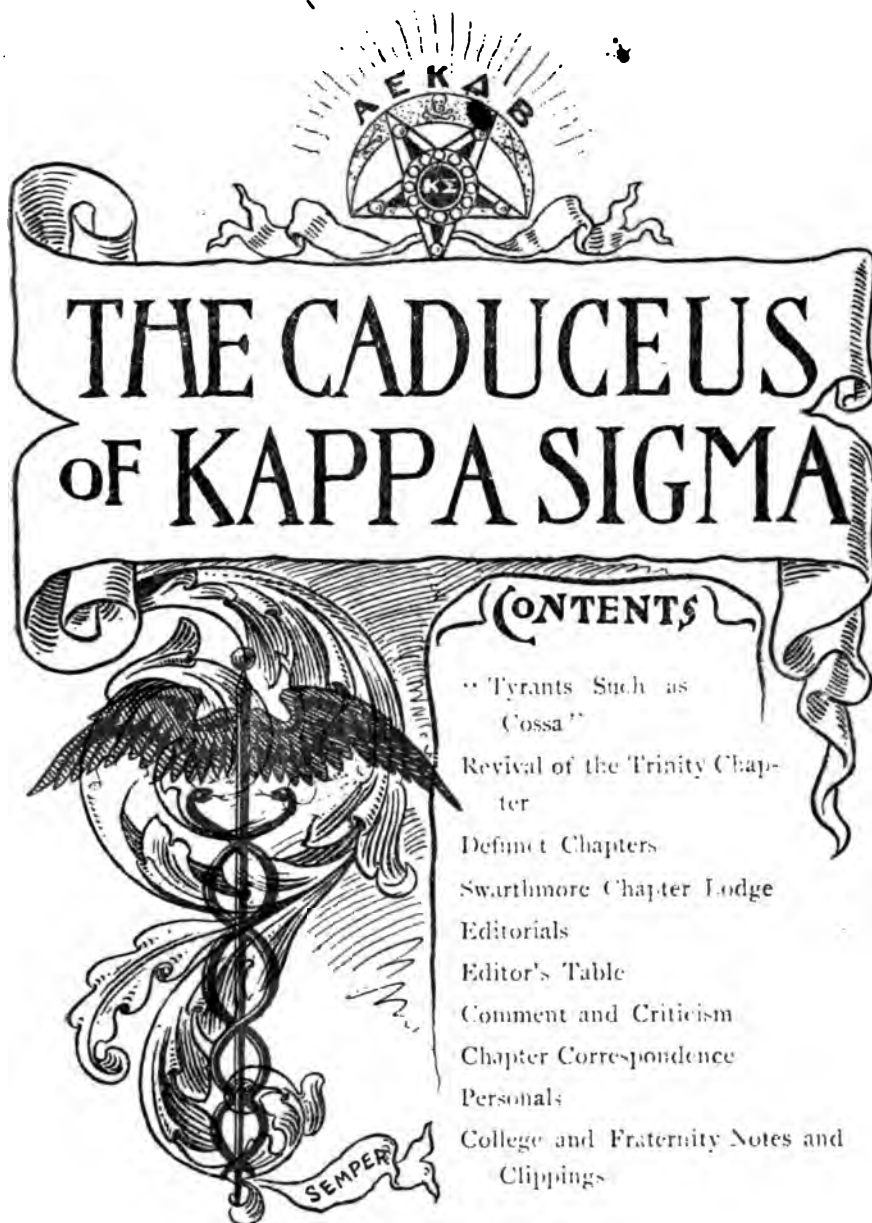
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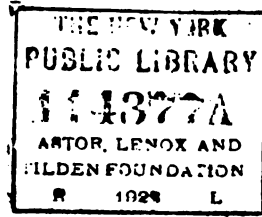
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"TYRANTS SUCH AS COSSA."

BY F. K. FARR (Θ).

EVERY member of $K \Sigma$ knows something of the history of the wicked pirate-Pope, Balthasar Cossa; but no complete account of his strange life has ever been presented to the $K \Sigma$ world through *Quarterly* or CADUCEUS. His story forms one of the last and darkest pages of mediæval history; from first to last there is no ray of goodness to relieve the evil darkness of the life of a wretch who "attained to power and abused it" until he met at last the ignoble death he deserved.

Cossa was born of a noble Neapolitan family about 1360. Placed in a monastery in his youth, he made his escape from it, and, with his brother, joined a band of pirates who ravaged the shores of Italy.

Soon he became the leader of the corsair crew; "destitute of faith, shame, and remorse," says one historian, "he possessed

in the highest degree those qualities which in time of war make great captains and in time of peace great villains." Returning peace caused the marauding band the young Balthasar commanded to be broken up, and its captain, now turned villain, directed his attention to the Romish Church as offering the best opening for a talented and unscrupulous young man. Entering the University of Bologna, he soon procured a doctor's degree for its equivalent in cash, and in the same way he gained from Pope Boniface IX the archdeaconate of Bologna.

But the control of some scores of Bolognese priests and deacons, although fairly profitable, did not offer opportunities commensurate with the powers of the new archdeacon, and he sought the court of Rome. There Boniface soon recognized his peculiar talents, and made him his secret chamberlain, rewarding his infamous services of one kind and another with a cardinal's hat. The Pope, with the aid of his new cardinal and confidential adviser, was able, on one and another pretext, to collect enormous revenues from the suffering Church over all Europe; and the tricky Balthasar diverted no small part of these into his own purse, well repaying himself, we need not doubt, for the expense of his doctor's degree and his archdeaconate.

Unfortunately, the private life of this precious cardinal was of such a nature that it could not long be tolerated even in the easy and indifferent papal court; so he was intrusted with a mission peculiarly suited to his character. The people of Bologna had revolted against the papacy, and Cossa, made papal legate, placed himself at the head of the pontifical troops and succeeded in reconquering the city, which the powerful family of the Visconti was then ruling. The Visconti vanquished, the unlucky city soon found that it had for ruler a very fiend incarnate; his scandalous and cruel excesses defy description, and are recorded by historians of the time in terms which may not appear upon these pages.

Not less than other citizens did the large body of students suffer; even while on their way to the University of Bologna they were in danger from the robbers and assassins in the service of the infamous governor. How and by what stages their

organization for mutual protection grew into the *K Σ* Fraternity, the traditions and history of the Order have informed us. It was useless to appeal for relief to the very Pope who had appointed his confederate in wickedness to subdue and tyrannize over the rebellious city. Secret and silent resistance offered the only protection against the exactions and outrages of Cossa.

Boniface IX died in a fit of anger, and was succeeded by Innocent VII; the Bolognese sent ambassadors to the new Pope, offering a large sum for the recall of the obnoxious legate, only to be outbid by Cossa himself, who "sent to Rome double the sum proposed, and overthrew the negotiations." Those citizens who had been instrumental in preparing this plan were executed, and the reign of the legate continued in undiminished cruelty. Innocent VII at last died poisoned, and Gregory XII, his successor, issued a sentence of excommunication against the guilty legate; but the poor Bolognese were not to be released from the vulture's talons until a richer meal should offer itself.

Cossa paid no attention to the anathemas of the angry Pope, but, relying on his great wealth and greater cunning, bought over to himself the greater part of the college of cardinals and induced them to meet at Pisa. At this assembly Gregory XII was accused of many crimes and misdemeanors—justly, perhaps, but for an unjust purpose. Being declared convicted, he was also declared deposed, and the cardinal of Milan, a weak tool of Cossa, elected to fill the papal chair. Gregory did not recognize or submit to the authority of the Pisa assembly, nevertheless the new Pope assumed office, took the title of Alexander V, and set up his court at Pisa. Thither, as his chief adviser, went the wily Cossa.

Cossa now had almost unlimited power wherever the new Pope was recognized, but he coveted the papacy itself, and took the most direct way to obtain it. He hired Daniel, of St. Sophia, the new Pope's physician, to poison him. He then so intimidated the college of cardinals that they dared do nothing but choose him Pope, and soon he set out, with all his cardinals and with a formidable army, for Rome, whence Gregory XII

had fled. Before starting, however, he removed a possible witness to one of his crimes by poisoning the physician Daniel, "out of gratitude for his services," as one historian grimly remarks.

Four years were now spent by the new Pope, who assumed the title of John XXIII, in a repetition on a grander scale of all the infamies, both public and private, which had characterized his previous life. Among his acts may be mentioned the issuing of the first bull ever directed by any Pope against the heresies of Huss and Wiclif, then just arising, but destined to culminate in the Reformation. But two other Popes, Gregory XII and Benedict XIII, disputed Cossa's right and that of each other, and he was at last compelled, much against his will, to call the council of Constance, which should decide among the rival claimants for St. Peter's seat.

It is worthy of note that one of the three dignitaries who arranged the preliminaries for the council of Constance was the eminent Greek scholar, professor, and philosopher, Manuel Chrysoloras, who had some years before become a member of the order of $\kappa \Sigma$, either at Bologna or at Florence. It is not improbable that to the faithfulness of Chrysoloras to his vows the council of Constance owed the firmness with which it withstood alike the threats and the bribes of Balthasar Cossa, although the eminent Greek did not live to see the work of the council completed. And it is not unlikely that his sudden death was caused by the same hand that prepared the poison for Daniel of St. Sophia.

The council having convened, Cossa immediately attempted to terrorize it, but he had at last reached the limit of his power. The council would not bend to his will, and he fled in disguise from the town of Constance and took refuge with the Duke of Austria.

The trial of the wretched Pope went on; charges whose most atrocious character may not here be even hinted at were fully proven against him, and sentence of deposition from his office rendered accordingly. The decree characterized Balthasar Cossa as "the oppressor of the poor, the persecutor of the just,

the support of knaves, the idol of simoniacs, the slave of the flesh, a sink of vices, a mirror of infamy, a devil incarnate; * * * an obstinate and hardened, noxious and incorrigible sinner, whose conduct is abominable, and morals infamous." The further recital of his misdeeds contained fifty-four articles, which were publicly read, and twenty others which were kept secret, so frightful were the crimes which they revealed !

Cossa was now thrown into prison, there to languish for four years. The council, continuing its labors, deposed the remaining two claimants of the papacy and elected a new Pope, Martin V. Cossa at last procured his own liberation from prison by giving as a bribe thirty thousand crowns, the last remnant of his fortune. He attempted to rally his old followers, but found that his influence over them had taken wings together with his wealth. He then changed his tactics entirely, went to Rome, and, casting himself at the feet of Martin V, acknowledged him as lawful Pope. Martin received him with every appearance of joy, bestowed upon him magnificent presents, and loaded him with honors.

"Two months afterward, Balthasar Cossa died poisoned," says the historian ; whether the hand that did the deed was that of Martin V or of some emissary of Bolognese vengeance, we can only guess.

REVIVAL OF THE TRINITY CHAPTER.

BY HERBERT M. MARTIN (H).

AFTER a lapse of thirteen years, the banner of the Star and Crescent again waves above the battlements of old Trinity. Immediately after the Conclave in October, the S. E. C. were informed by Bro. Fred. Harper (Z), who was formerly a student at Trinity, that several of his most intimate friends there were desirous of entering *K Σ* and reviving the Chapter which had existed there from 1873 to 1879. The men were communicated with, and in due time a petition was forwarded to the S. E. C., bearing the

signatures of Thomas Cowper Daniels, Frank Bettis Davis, David Anderson Houston, and Frank Gibbons Westbrook, who were properly recommended and vouched for by Bro. Harper. The Supreme Executive Committee being satisfied that the petitioners were worthy and well qualified to become members of the Fraternity, deemed it a "good thing" to grant the petition, and accordingly on November 30th issued a duplicate to the original charter which bore the names of Thomas Taylor, A. R. Wortham, P. F. Hines, N. H. Tucker, Wm. P. Mercer, and Geo. D. Tysor, and the date February 3d, 1873.

All preliminaries having been arranged, I wired to Trinity that I would be there on December 1st, to bring the neophytes from the darkness of barbarism to the light of Greekdom. I was met in Greensboro by Bro. W. W. Morris, '92, of *J*, and together we journeyed on to Durham, where Trinity College is situated, arriving there at 4 A. M. on December 1st. After snatching a few hours' sleep we hied ourselves to Trinity, where we were warmly welcomed by the prospective members.

Bro. J. D. McDowell came over from Davidson College on the noon train, and we found ourselves three strong, fully capable of handling the "goats," even though three of them were foot-ball players, and consequently men of considerable size. However, we belonged to the class of "the unterrified," and would not be deterred.

We were so fortunate as to secure the hall of the Knights of Pythias for the initiation, and as elaborate paraphernalia having been secured as the time allowed, as the sun was sinking in the west there were ushered through the * * * * * six stalwart knights, there having been added to the four petitioners two others, Luther Thompson Hartsell and Sterling Blackwell Pierce.

In order to catch my train I was forced to leave before the work was exemplified, and there my knowledge of the proceedings ends. Bros. Morris and McDowell remained over to instruct the new brothers in the secret work, and I have no doubt that they performed that duty well, for the members of *J* are as capable of it as any in the Fraternity.

My short acquaintance with the brothers of *H'* was most pleasant, and I can unreservedly commend them to the Fraternity as being worthy to wear the badge of the Order. Among them are men of varied attainments, and in every department of the College *K Σ* is well represented. But I will leave this for the Chapter's correspondent to air in his letter to THE CADUCEUS, since I do not wish to encroach upon his territory. I am proud to have been instrumental in reviving the old Eta Chapter, and, while during its former existence it was a model Chapter, yet I feel safe in prophesying for it even a more successful future than characterized its career back in the seventies. It gives me pleasure to introduce to the Fraternity the revived *H'*, and I am sure a cordial welcome awaits the Chapter at the hands of all.

DEFUNCT CHAPTERS.

BY HERBERT M. MARTIN (*H*).

MUCH adverse criticism has been passed upon Baird's *American College Fraternities*, and, in almost every instance, where the complaining parties were not satisfied with the showing made by their respective Fraternities, they have poured out the vials of their wrath upon the devoted head of Mr. Baird, bitterly scoring him as being the cause of the poor showing made, and accusing him of injustice toward them and partiality toward certain other Fraternities. In my judgment, the blame does not rest with Mr. Baird, but rather with the historians of the disgruntled Fraternities. While I believe that *K Σ* does not show up in this book as her merits justify, I further believe that no one is to blame but the person or persons who furnished the data. I offer this in explanation of what is to follow.

In my report to the Tenth Biennial Grand Conclave I made mention of certain Chapters which are credited to *K Σ* in general Fraternity statistics, said to be defunct, but which in reality never had existence. This statement of mine has elicited inquiries

from several interested brothers, who have asked, "If the Chapters you mention never existed, why do they appear on our roll, in Baird's book?" etc. It is to satisfy these seekers after knowledge, as well as to give information to others who are uninformed of the subject, that I give a statement of how these Chapters (?) came to be placed on our roster.

First on the list is *E*, said to have been established at Furman University in 1868, and withdrawn in 1869 on account of faculty opposition. Bro. John Covert Boyd, one of the first members of the parent Chapter, *Z*, did initiate about ten students at Furman into *K Σ*; but he did it on his own motion, without having authority from *Z*, then Grand Chapter. The Furman men did not wear the prescribed badge of the Fraternity, the Chapter was never chartered, and its members were repeatedly refused recognition by members of the regular Chapters. Having no connection with a general Fraternity, it was short-lived.

The next is *A*, Bellevue Hospital Medical College, said to have been established in 1871—died in 1874. There was an Alumni Chapter in New York city composed chiefly of members attending Bellevue, and it was the intention of the Grand Chapter to have these Alumni members found Chapters at Columbia and C. C. N. Y., they having been given permission to initiate students at these two colleges. The records do not show that a single man was ever initiated, and it is probable that none were. Every member who happened to be in New York, no matter for what length of time, was jotted down as a member of *A*, which was never anything other than an Alumni Chapter.

The next is *θ*, said to have been established at the University of North Carolina in 1875, and killed by anti-Fraternity laws in 1876. It was the intention of some of our brothers residing near Chapel Hill to start a Chapter at the University. They took it all out in *intentions*, however. Here we are credited with fifteen members, and, as far as is known, no member of *K Σ* ever attended the University of North Carolina, and no student there ever had an opportunity to seek light within

the portals of the * * * * *. The attempt to establish a Chapter there never went further than the writing of one or two letters to the President as to the advisability of such a scheme, which he was kind enough to discourage in view of the crowded condition of the field.

The next is *I*, said to have been established at King College, Tenn., in 1878, and withdrawn in 1884 on account of the low grade of the institution. I am thankful that our historian gave it out that we withdrew on account of the low grade of the school, for *that*, in a measure, palliates the crime of placing a Chapter at all at such a one-horse school. But I regret that he failed to give the true status of the case, which is to the effect that *K Σ* has never at any time had a Chapter at King College, and never will, as for that matter. I have in my possession a letter written by Rev. John Pegran Anderson (*N*), in 1879, I believe, who was at that time living in Bristol, Tenn., the seat of King College. It was in reply to inquiries about the Chapter at the said college, and stated that the Chapter had never been established, no one ever had been initiated with the view of establishing one there, and, furthermore, that it should never be established, since the college was no suitable place for *K Σ*. Notwithstanding this, our historian has, in his sketch for Baird's book, given us a Chapter of six years' standing, with *seventy* men to its credit.

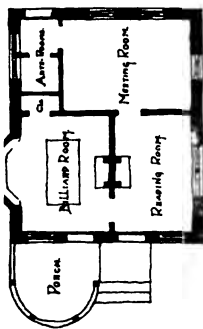
The next is *T*, said to have been established at Mt. Pleasant Academy, New York, 1882, and withdrawn in 1883 on account of the low grade of the institution. There are some extenuating circumstances attending the placing of this Chapter on the roll, since there were three men initiated at Mt. Pleasant in '82-'83, with the view of establishing a Chapter there, but by whose authority I know not. It seems the powers that be willed that "it should not" was, however, and the Chapter (?) got no further than its three members, who, of course, could not constitute a Chapter, since the Constitution requires more than that number. Our historian was kind enough to give us ten men, however, instead of three, as it should be, in his sketch for Baird's book.

Chapters are occasionally credited to $K \Sigma$, defunct now, of course, at the Universities of California and Colorado. Two men were initiated about 1877 for the purpose of establishing a Chapter at the latter place, but nothing ever came of it, and not even that much was ever done toward entering the former. Therefore, $K \Sigma$ should not be credited with having been at either one of these institutions. Debited would probably be a better word than credited, as it is rather a losing business than a paying one to have defunct Chapters tacked on *ad libitum*.

$K \Sigma$'s historian must have conceived the idea that a Chapter-roll looks better from being long-drawn-out, even though many of the Chapters noted on it are said to have existed but are now defunct, than if much shorter and showing a greater percentage of living Chapters. It never struck me that a Fraternity is bettered from having a long Chapter list with many Chapters noted as defunct, no matter how good the institutions where they may have existed are, and when there are some wrongly credited as being on the death-roll which never existed at all, and these, too, at institutions of such low grade as most of those mentioned above are, it makes matters much worse, and the mistake should be rectified. Why our historian should have allowed such errors to stand, I cannot conceive, unless it was that he conjured up the mistaken idea that by showing *quantity*, regardless of facts, he would be benefiting the Fraternity. To my mind, it was a tacit admission of weakness and a reflection on the standing of the Fraternity, which, I trust, the above facts will in a measure correct, even at this late day.

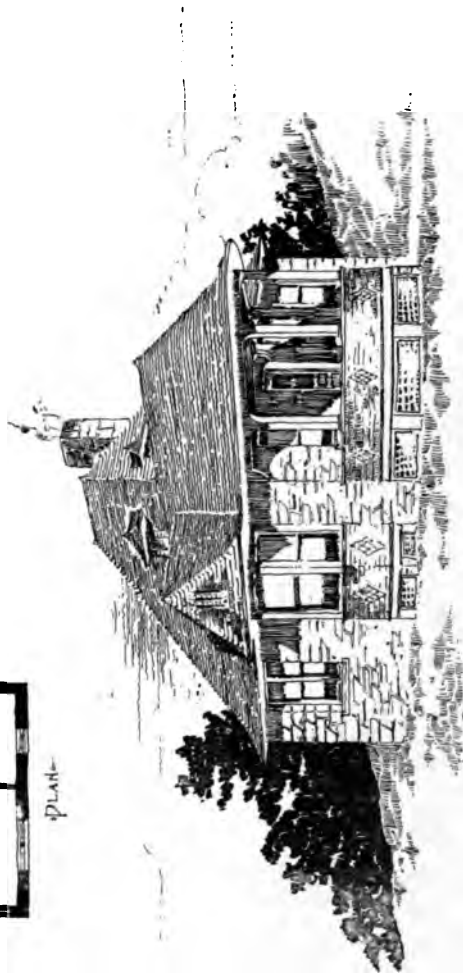
THE SWARTHMORE LODGE.

WE give as an illustration in this number the design for the Chapter Lodge of Pi at Swarthmore College. The lack of such a building has long been felt by the Chapter; for, the college being in a small village, the Fraternities have had to maintain rooms in Media, a pretty little town three miles away from the college campus. The fact



PLAN

DESIGN FOR CHAPTER LODGE
 OF THE CHAPTER K. I.
 OF SMARTENORE.



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that all the students room together in one large building is in itself an argument against building a Chapter-house for the men to live and board in, for by so being separated from the student body they would lose touch with general affairs, be too exclusive and wrapped up in themselves, and lose much interest and influence in college matters, from their isolation. The lodge has been designed as one that can be used as a hall for meetings, initiations, and other Fraternity work, and at the same time furnish amusement and a place where the men may congregate and better learn the meaning of brother and *bon comrade*. A billiard-room and library will add much to the enjoyment of the members, and the porch, covered and shaded by vines and ivy, will one day be a cool retreat after many a game of tennis on the Chapter court. The building will be built of gray stone, field rubble, the fireplaces being of the same material, and topped with a roof of shingles. The interior of the rooms will be finished with natural wood. The wide window seat, with cushions, the arm-chair by the wood fire in winter, the cool porch, the dances and receptions in the hall, the songs and the stories around the fire of an evening—what memories will brighten the after lives of those who will enjoy these pleasures in a short time! It is hoped that the building will be put up this summer. $\Phi K \Psi$ and $K \Sigma$ will petition the Faculty for sites on the college campus, and if this petition is favorably received both Fraternities will probably have a delightful rendezvous in the near future.

The Chapter-house idea is steadily advancing, and we hope soon to see many of our Chapters recognize the benefits arising from the same, and occupy lodges as quickly as possible.

EDITORIALS.

Kappa Sigma was once a Southern Order. The Star and Crescent is now seen in North, South, East, and West, although extension has not yet reached into the "far West," where so much lies before us. But, with the other Orders that have originated in the South, we are still known in the North as a "Southern Fraternity." Sectionalism still sticks up her ugly head, and it will only be by the sincere and hearty co-operation of Southern and Northern fratres alike that we can attain that nationalism that we most desire. But a few years ago the idea of Northern Extension was howled at with scorn by our ultra-Southern brothers, and the members of our then few Chapters in the North were many times pained by unthoughtful, selfish, and narrow-minded contributions to the Fraternity journal. THE CADUCEUS, as it now stands, edited by Northern and Southern men, wishes to be the organ of the best representatives of both sections, a mirror of the best thought of Northern or Southern college men. That an interest may be maintained in all that concerns the Order, we would invite contributions on all subjects touching upon the Fraternity, its policy or its government. But if tranquillity is to reign, and our onward course be a peaceful one, sectionalism must be stamped out at once. Not until every Southern man forgets that there was once a line between North and South can our Northern Extension be a success. Strange as it may seem, even at the recent Conclave in Washington some Southern men were narrow-minded and impolitic enough to say that "the South was good enough for them ; they wanted no Northern Chapters." Such remarks bore bad fruit and caused dissatisfaction and displeasure among some of our Northern Chapters. Might not their members say, "It is the North that has made 'the New South ;' it is Northern energy and wealth that has helped the South, crippled by the war, out of the mire ; it is the Northern Chapters and

Northern men that will pick the Fraternity out of its old and slack ways and lift it to a height among its Northern rivals"? And would our Southern friends be then pleased? Bah! this petty bickering, this dragging up the relics of the buried past, this opening of old sores should be beneath the notice of a journal whose endeavor it is to foster the good of the Fraternity it represents, but our attention has been brought to these unfortunate matters, and we would rebuke Northern or Southern men who would descend to quarrel over such affairs. There is no South. There is no North. Both are one. We are *Americans*. No sectionalism! Bury the past. Work for the Order you have sworn to cherish. Our watchword is *Onward and Upward!*

Would that more Fraternity men had a better conception of the true Fraternity duty and the real nature of a Fraternity obligation, more of that pure, sincere, and unselfish love of a brother that is the proper outcome of fraternal ties, a love untainted by any sectional or political feeling, a love which accords to each man the sovereign right of individual opinion and preserves respect for him in that opinion, but which finds a common ground of fellowship upon which all men of the Order can stand, and from which all differences and dissensions are banished and only fraternal feeling and regard considered. If the members of the various Chapters will aid in the dissemination of such an idea of the extent of the Fraternity obligation the day is not far distant when *K Σ* will be at the front rank of Greek-letter Fraternities, strong from inward resources, inseparable and indestructible.

Material for the catalogue is slowly coming in, but many of the Chapters have as yet failed to appoint a member to write Chapter histories and compile data. All Chapters are requested to appoint such a member and have him communicate with the Editor as speedily as possible. Every effort should be made by all active members to obtain information as to the whereabouts of all alumni members known to them.

The Supreme Executive Committee of *K Σ*, after careful consideration, has decided, as have several other Fraternities, that it will not be desirable to make any display in the College Fraternity exhibit at the Columbian Exhibition at Chicago. The Fraternity will take an active part in the Fraternity Congress and is represented on the Advisory Council.

The design for the Chapter lodge for Pi, soon to be built, is a sample of what can be built by any Chapter at slight cost and with great benefit in every way. We hope this year will see more work done for *K Σ* in the way of Chapter-houses than ever before.

EDITOR'S TABLE.

Before us on the table lie the latest issues of the Greek press, fair examples of Hellenic journalism at its best, full of good things, bad things, and things indifferent. There is the *Sigma Chi Quarterly*, ruddy in its new costume; the *Kappa Alpha Journal*, brilliant in white and gold; the *College Fraternity*, full to overflowing with good live news and literary merit; the *Record of Σ A E*, much increased in thickness; the *B Θ Π*, blue, but by no means dull; the *K Α Θ* with its dainty cover, and the two *Shields*, the green record of the onward march of *Φ K Φ*; and our estimable contemporary, the fat blue pride of our friend, Mr. Clay W. Holmes. And along with the Greek periodicals we find *The University Magazine*, that valiant defender and exponent of college education and training. *The Delta of Σ N* is also improved by a new cover and much better matter within, and here we find *The Scroll of Φ Α Θ* smiling in a new dress, and full of politics; a picture of Harrison for the Republicans and one of Stevenson for the Democrats. There is a lengthy review of the College Annuals of the year, and when we see the list of annuals received by *The Scroll* we wonder why THE CADUCEUS could not have been so remembered. The *La Vie*, of Pennsylvania State College, *The Cornellian*, of Cornell, *Corks and Curls*, of the University of Virginia, and the *Swarthmore Halcyon* were the only annuals with which Kappa Sigmas honored their own magazine, and the review we wished to give our readers is, of course, out of the question. We can only thank those who remembered us and envy *The Scroll* in having readers so thoughtful of its welfare. *The Scroll* rejoicing in *Φ Α Θ*'s possession of candidates for both President and Vice-President of the United States proudly parades her alumni who are prominent in politics and hits at *Σ X*, *Σ A E*, and others on the question of honorary membership. We would like to know what *The Scroll* thinks of "lifting," and refer her to the editorials in our last issue. Editorials, chapter letters,

and biographical sketches of Adlai E. Stephenson and John W. Foster fill up the balance of the October number. The December number contains a Convention group and a report of the Alpha Province Convention, and also several good articles, one of which we reprint in "Comment and Criticism." *The Scroll* has the following to say of us:

"A new symbolical steel print is the frontispiece of the September CADUCEUS of Kappa Sigma. This number reprints from the *University Magazine* the article by President Blanchard, of Wheaton College (Ill.), against Fraternities, which article supports its argument by quotations from a number of eminent men and publications. THE CADUCEUS follows the reprint with good counter argument. There is no doubt that a number of class secret societies under Greek letter names reflect genuine discredit upon the Fraternity system. It may be that when President Blanchard was a student the general tone of the system was not what it is to-day, but we insist that all the charges laid at the door of the Fraternity system are denied by weight of present facts, and President Blanchard's argument is like that of many others—protects itself by the question, 'If these charges are not true, why are your societies secret?'

"We are glad to note that the *K Σ* Convention, but recently held in Washington, D. C., saw fit to continue THE CADUCEUS under the care of Mr. Warner, at Philadelphia. He has made it, in typographical and editorial excellencies, far ahead of what it had ever been before, and has put the ambition of *K Σ* as a Fraternity upon a much higher plane."

Kappa Alpha Theta contains articles of more literary merit than is generally found in other Greek-letter periodicals. The October number, the first number of the seventh volume, gives, among other interesting essays, "Woman in the Arena of Reform," "Womanliness," and articles on "Should Women Enter the Ministry?" and "Should Women Study Medicine?"

The December number of *The Record* of *Σ A E* contains more of interest and merit than has been found within its covers

for some time. Articles on the University of Texas, and "Σ A E in Texas," with statistics, shows that our good old Chapter Tau holds its own with its six rivals, and the same statistics would signify that Σ A E stands well in scholarship. The editor and other contributors feel the necessity of Chapter-houses and frequent Chapter visitation, and we can but wish that K Σ could do more in these respects, also. Articles on several Chapters, the catalogue, and biographical sketches help to fill up quite a bulky number. The following appears in the Exchange Comments:

"THE CADUCEUS of Kappa Sigma for September prints entire, from the *University Magazine*, an article on 'College Fraternities,' from the pen of President Charles A. Blanchard, of Wheaton College, Illinois. President Blanchard launches into a perfect tirade of abuse of the whole system of college Fraternities. He treats the subject not only harshly, but recklessly. As THE CADUCEUS points out, and well points out, the article is as 'unique, as false, and full of prejudice and conceit as one might find in a long time.' THE CADUCEUS also reproduces a clipping from the *Sigma Chi Quarterly*, for July, which reveals a rather unpleasant war of words waged between two rival Chapters of the respective Fraternities. Such collisions are to be deprecated at any and all times as tending to destroy that harmony which should ever pervade Greekdom."

The *Sigma Chi Quarterly* for November is devoted largely to matters pertaining to the recent Convention held at Indianapolis August 24th, 25th, and 26th, and is of more interest and value to Sigma Chis than to Fraternity men in general. Some of the responses to the toasts, as given in the magazine, are full of merit and brilliant with wit, and from the reports of the meetings the Convention must have been a great success.

Two magazines that we would commend to all college and Fraternity men are *The College Fraternity* and *The University Magazine*, both filled with matters of interest, value, and vital importance to every college Greek who would be abreast of the

times and fully informed of all that is transpiring in the college and Fraternity world. Too many Fraternity men know almost nothing concerning other orders than their own; too many know too little of their own Fraternity, and have false ideas of the Greek system and conceited ideas of themselves. Nothing will do more for Pan-Hellenism than *The College Fraternity*, nothing will better disseminate proper ideas concerning the Greek-letter societies, their value, and their purposes, their rightful position in the educational world. The December number contains several articles on "The College Fraternities Exhibit," "College and Fraternity Life in Georgia," "Chapter Records and Reports," "Fraternity Life at Sewanee," illustrated with views of the different Chapter lodges, several interesting articles on the history of *K A*, and well conducted editorial news and other departments. The article on "Chapter Records and Reports" is a valuable one in its suggestions for Chapter historians and statisticians.

COMMENT AND CRITICISM.

CHAPTER WEAKNESS.—What constitutes a weak Chapter is a question not so easy to answer as would at first seem apparent. The answer involves an inquiry first as to what a strong and successful Chapter should be. Numbers and victories over rivals are not the essential qualifications of strength. Usually they are indices, but never anything more. Often they are not even that. Successful campaigns may mark the work of a Chapter in which there is complete perversion of the aims of Fraternity, and on such perverted foundation it may erect its history, a monument to the error of its ways.

Every Fraternity claims a right to exist, and if so it has a work to do, a mission to fulfill. The Greek-letter Fraternity claims a legitimate place in college life, and almost everywhere that claim is freely recognized by college governments. It is a healthy social factor in student life, giving a stimulus to the social qualities of the student, and bringing him into contact with men from all grades of the curriculum. It supplies to him the home life that would otherwise be lost to the student who takes up the college work away from his own home. It gives his social circle a name, whose character he is to defend, and whose worth he must exemplify before the college world. It gives him a tie that will bind him to his *Alma Mater* long after he ceases to be familiar with the faces of those who throng the college halls. It puts him in touch with young men beyond his own college—men of the same qualities and ambitions as himself. Though raised under different surroundings and familiar with other traditions, he is made to see that they are working out a destiny parallel to his own, and that by united concert each can rise higher along the paths they would go. The fraternal ties of college life will mature into the fraternal ties of national life before the generation passes away. In short, the

Fraternity aims to make a man better for being in it. It is a good thing for the college, a good thing for the nation.

A Chapter is an established branch for carrying out the aims and policy of its Fraternity. It has no aims or purposes at variance with those of its Order. It can initiate men, not into itself, but into the Fraternity of which it is a branch. It is a part of the Fraternity, and whenever it treats the relations between itself and its Order as of little moment, and it attempts to introduce features and to follow aims not contemplated in those of the general Order, you can depend upon it the Chapter is treading on dangerous ground.

Depleted numbers is usually considered as a conspicuous sign of weakness, and when, on the opening of a college year, one or more of the old Chapters return but a mere remnant of their former membership, rival Chapters spread the gratuitous report that Chapter so and so is "very weak," "has only ?? members," etc., etc. And, alas, the accusation is sometimes just, but not on the ground of numbers. Such a time is a test in the life of a Chapter. If the members conclude that because of their fewness that there is less responsibility upon their shoulders; that the privileges of membership in their general Fraternity are less worthy; that they have less to offer to a candidate for membership; or in an endeavor to regain numbers, let down the bars of admission to those men easiest secured for the asking, then indeed is there weakness. But that Chapter which in the face of temporary misfortune holds to its record, the character of its past membership, to the principles and loyalty of its Fraternity, and uses all the energies at its command to exemplify the teachings of Fraternity life, such a Chapter is strong, even if it takes a College generation to regain its wonted numbers. And were the truth known, membership in such a Chapter is as much a jewel to be prized, if the above is held to, as in the most prosperous Chapter of the same Fraternity. Prosperity exists and flourishes without hardships, but real strength is shown at its best when prosperity is brought up out of the sloughs of temporary misfortunes. There is not a Fraternity but what has Chapters to which it can proudly point in

evidence of the truth of this. The record of a Chapter that has risen above such obstacles and the names of the men who stood by the work in the darkest hours are prized among the best of the trophies of the Order.

Weakness is inherent in that Chapter whose members lack those attributes for the cultivation of which Fraternities have been founded. How can a Chapter exemplify the social power of a Fraternity if its members are minus the social graces? How can it prove itself valuable as an intellectual factor in student life if its members are below their fellow-students in scholastic attainments? How can it have a refining influence unless its members as individuals are characterized by virtues which make them esteemed by the best persons with whom they come in contact? Yes; if these are lacking there is weakness. No varnishing can cover it, and the name and badge of the proudest Fraternity cannot atone for it. No emergency can arise in the life of a Chapter that will justify it into receiving into membership any man save of such character as contemplated in the Bond or foundation principle of its Fraternity. If it were otherwise the Order at large would prefer to see inactivity in such a Chapter rather than its continuance.

We hold, then, that depleted numbers is not an inherent sign of weakness in a Chapter. It may be a mark of a temporary misfortune. But if the Chapter has been in touch with its Fraternity at large, is informed on its history, and is careful in its observance of the ritual, that Chapter can arise from its misfortune with its name and standing unshaken. But let the misfortune of depleted numbers fall on a Chapter that has been hap-hazard in the work of its prosperous days, that has not been in touch with its Fraternity at large, knows little of its history, has considered the close observance of ritualistic matters as of little moment, ten to one that Chapter will lower its standard to obtain members, or, on the other hand, will conclude that there is not much in Fraternity life anyhow, and quickly cease to exist.

The limits of fraternal regard should not be drawn at the door of a Chapter. They go to the remotest bounds of the

Fraternity, and make a member a brother wherever he is. A Chapter whose members are animated by such a spirit of fraternity is fortunate indeed, and though the clouds may at times obscure, its face will ever be toward prosperity.—*The Scroll of $\Phi \chi \theta$* .

THE AFFILIATE.—It is said that $J T J$ has a unique way of regarding the "affiliate problem." It takes the position that a member of one Chapter is not properly a member of any other Chapter by a change of schools. Perhaps he can be elected to a membership by prescribed methods—I am not thoroughly informed on this point—but, at any rate, he takes no active part in conducting the other Chapter's affairs. Under certain circumstances this might be a desirable solution for an unfortunate "connection," but it speaks very poorly for the general tone of a Fraternity, and the *personnel* of its average membership where the Chapters cannot exchange members with freedom without fear of getting a "white elephant" on their hands in the bargain. Some Chapters may run largely to scholarship, some may take lively to the development of muscle, some may have a fancy for calico, and another may be composed of a dozen men who spend most of their time conducting college publications, writing speeches, and running the Y. M. C. A., but every Chapter of $\Sigma A E$, in every section, should have men imbued with such sturdy manliness, fair intelligence, and polite manners that any transfer would become a welcome and an adaptable acquisition to any other Chapter in the land.

Perhaps $J T J$ has found the custom of "transferring" worked so to the detriment of some Chapters that her custom was adopted for local self-preservation. If such is so, and her precaution remedies the evil without conjuring up a bigger one, her law is wisdom. But I believe that the average membership of $\Sigma A E$ is homogeneous enough in the named essential to make the Chapters profit by the affiliate acquisitions, instead of suffering, *if but due attention is paid to maintaining the practice of frequent and regular initiations*. Without that the life of any Chapter will grow monotonous, enthusiasm will weaken, and precarious existence will follow.—*Free Lance, in $\Sigma A E$ Record*.

THE FRATERNITIES CONGRESS.—It has been decided that the general meeting of college Fraternity men under the auspices of the World's Congress Auxiliary in Chicago will be held during the week beginning July 17th, 1893, during the Educational Congress. The local Committee of Organization and Arrangements has just issued an announcement giving the names of active Fraternity men who have been invited to join the Advisory Council. This council will eventually have fifty members, and, it is believed, will be thoroughly representative of the entire Fraternity system. Its members have been chosen irrespective of Fraternity affiliations for the most part, and their co-operation has been solicited wholly upon personal grounds, it having been considered preferable not to request the official attendance of the Fraternities as organizations, but rather to make the Congress a meeting of the principal Fraternity men of the United States, whose free exchange of personal opinion cannot fail to prove of incalculable benefit to the Greek-letter system.

The proceedings will consist of discussions and reports upon the general subjects of Fraternity government, journalism, secrecy and rivalry, and other topics which have already been suggested in the first number of this magazine. There will also be a separate Congress for women's societies. The gentlemen who have been appointed members of the council by the chairman of the Auxiliary up to November 26th, are as follows:

John D. Adams, $\chi \phi$; S. Z. Ammen, $K \Lambda$ (South); William R. Baird, $B \theta II$; Harry S. Bunting, $\Sigma A E$; Franklin Burdge, $\theta \Lambda X$; Hobart Chatfield Taylor, $K \Lambda$ (North); Frederick M. Crossett, $\Lambda I'$; Walter Daniels, $\Lambda T Q$; Walter G. Eliot, $Z \Psi$; Reginald Fendall, ΣX ; W. L. Fisher, ΣX ; B. W. Franklin, $A \Lambda \phi$; Elbridge T. Gerry, $X \Psi$; Rev. Otis A. Glazebrook, $A T Q$; Grant W. Harrington, ΣN ; Franklin Head, $A \Lambda \phi$; Clay W. Holmes, $\theta \Lambda X$; Alexander Howard, ΣN ; Charles N. Ironside, $X \phi$; Frank Keck, $\phi \Gamma \Lambda$; Walter B. Palmer, $\phi \Lambda \theta$; E. H. L. Randolph, $\phi \Lambda \theta$; Charles W. Scovel, $\phi \Lambda \phi$; Prof. Edgar F. Smith, $\phi K \Psi$; E. J. Thomas, $\Lambda I'$; Alfred Trautwein, $\Lambda T \Lambda$; C. L. Van Cleve, $\phi K \Psi$; George W. War-

ner, *K Σ*; John de W. Warner, *Δ K E*; Edward S. Van Zile, *Δ Ψ*.

The local committee arranging for the Congress, in which one vacancy still remains to be filled, consists of Richard Lee Fearn, *B Θ Π*; Charles Alling, Jr., *Σ X*; Charles M. Kurtz, *Φ Γ Δ*; Edward M. Winston, *Δ Υ*, and George A. Katzenberger, *Φ Δ Φ*.—*The College Fraternity*.

THE FRATERNITY BADGE.—As long as man is a creature of sentiment, so long will he love emblems, and just so long will emblems aid in keeping alive and increasing enthusiasm and interest. A flag has more significance in battle than the mere designation of armies, though perhaps that was the original purpose of its use. Just as a flag has more meaning than mere designation, so has a Fraternity pin a wider and better influence upon men than simply designating the Order to which various members belong. He who has ever owned an emblem needs no such statements as these to acquaint him with the use of a Fraternity pin. In college it is the owner's pride; in after-life, the one talisman that brings the past joy almost into a second existence.

There should be as many pins as possible in every Chapter, and they should be worn constantly. The pin is not invented to adorn the friend of a member, but it is made to be worn by that member. Especially should members wear their pins during the scholastic year. In vacation, if a brother desires to lend his pin to a fair friend, why little harm is done, but during active Fraternity life the place for the pin is on the breast of an active member of a Fraternity.—*K. A. Journal*.

CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

GAMMA.

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, BATON ROUGE, LA.

Until Bro. Stephens's letter in the September CADUCEUS, no lines had appeared in our journal from Gamma for several months to let others know what we had accomplished during the close of session '90-'91, and the whole of session '91-'92.

Since the opening of school, Gamma has given positive evidence of her usual activity. The booming of the cannons on the morning of the 5th of October, which announced both the termination of a happy vacation and the beginning of another nine-months' seige at the La. State University, summoned Gamma's knights, like the true Greeks of old, to watch the incursions of unknown barbarians, and seize upon their most princely followers as royal prisoners. Our serried phalanx could not be withstood, and the following subdued spirits surrendered: J. B. Roberts, W. F. Cooper, W. J. Lewis, H. Gamble, and W. A. Shaffer. Finding our conquered heroes such apt pupils in knight errantry, we made haste to release them after a few hours' captivity, and dubbed them "Knights of the Star and Crescent."

In introducing our initiates to the Fraternity, I give them the highest recommendations that language can express—they are *K Σ's* in all that the appellation signifies.

Fourteen *K Σ's* now have the honor of supporting the pride and loyalty of Gamma. The following are their names, with year of graduation, and their military rank in the University: W. L. Stevens, Captain Company D, '93; A. J. Robison, First Lieutenant and Adjutant, '93; E. P. Campbell, First Lieutenant, Company D, '94; C. F. Trudean, First Lieutenant, Company C, '94; W. S. Trichel, Second Lieutenant, Company A, '94; R. G. Pleasant, Second Lieutenant, Company C, '94; A. Brian,

First Sergeant, Company A, '95 ; J. D. Clark, Second Lieutenant, Company B, '95 ; S. M. D. Clark, Color-Sergeant, '95 ; J. B. Roberts, '95 ; W. F. Cooper, Fourth Sergeant, Company A, '96 ; W. J. Lewis, '96 ; W. A. Shaffer, '96 ; H. Gamble, '96.

We had hoped that our representative at the Conclave would be present at Washington during the last session of that worthy body, but our hopes in that direction, as they ever have been, were defeated. Bro. R. O. Young, who was the chosen representative of both Gamma Chapter and the Louisiana $K \Sigma$ Association, entertained as high expectations of his attending the Conclave as did the bodies that elected him ; but circumstances were such as to render his presence at Washington impossible.

The ΣN 's and the $K A$'s of the Louisiana State University have been doing their "best possible" this session, and they have had some success.

While speaking in connection with the other Fraternities represented here, I will dare to say that no Chapters of different Fraternities ever displayed more real friendliness as individuals, courtesy as rival Fraternities, and harmony as Greeks in general, than do these Chapters—Phi of ΣN , Alpha-Gamma of $K A$, and Gamma of $K \Sigma$.

The Louisiana $K \Sigma$ Association will meet on some date not yet determined upon, in February, with Sigma Chapter, of Tulane University, New Orleans, La. Gamma is anticipating a brilliant event, and will be there *en masse*.

Occasionally, some of our Alumni in their wanderings are drawn back to both the classic halls of their *Alma Mater* and the memorable hall of Gamma Chapter to find the latter far the superior magnet of the two. The recent visits of Bros. E. L. Stephens, R. O. Young, and P. L. Guilbeau attest the above.

Vive la CADUCEUS !

Very fraternally,

R. G. PLEASANT.

JANUARY 16th, 1893.

EPSILON.

CENTENARY COLLEGE, JACKSON, LA.

Although I have been a member of $K \Sigma$ for five years, and have seen the "Star and Crescent" rise from the horizon almost to the zenith of its glory, I have never before had the honor of officiating in the capacity of correspondent to THE CADUCEUS. But owing to the fact that Brother Lewin, our regular correspondent, is "pushed" with examinations at present, I shall attempt to give the Fraternity such bits of news as Epsilon has in store.

Never before has old Epsilon sailed in calmer waters and experienced such peace and tranquillity. At one time, last year, we were tossed upon a tumultuous sea of misfortune, accidents, and disappointments, and were threatened to be stranded upon the reefs of adversity; but with such a crew as we have this year the old ship has raised her sails, and once more she is borne on a peaceful sea by the gentle breezes of harmony and fraternal love.

We had the pleasure of taking aboard E. E. Wall, of this place, who we find to be as staunch a seaman as we ourselves, and feel assured that his name will always be an honor to our crew.

In college I am glad to say that $K \Sigma$ is to the front, and it might be well to state that in the Senior class the salutatory is ours, in the Junior class one of our men will take the scholarship medal, in the Sophomore we have the Greek medal, and $K \Sigma$ leads in the Preparatory Department. In the literary societies we have a President in one and a Vice-President in the other, and it would be unfair were I to neglect the December Public Debate, on which occasion $K \Sigma$ won the honor. We are "up and doing," and ere the close of another session Epsilon will be "equaled by few and surpassed by none."

For some reason we did not receive the last CADUCEUS, and if you knew with what pleasure it is read and how eagerly the time of its arrival is looked forward to, you would never neglect us.

We are glad to note that the Conclave was such an overwhelming success, and only hope that each such succeeding one will surpass the splendor of the preceding.

As President of the Louisiana State Association of *K Σ*, I take this opportunity of announcing that the Louisiana State Association will convene in New Orleans, La., February 24th and 25th, at the Tulane University College Department, and we urgently request that all *K Σ* men *in* or *out* of the State of Louisiana, who find it practicable to do so, will be present. All are cordially invited.

With fraternal love and best wishes to all *K Σ*, I remain
Yours in the mystic bonds of *K Σ*,

A. H. GAY, JR.

JANUARY 20th, 1893.

ZETA.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA.

Zeta is still progressing. Since our last letter two names have been added to the roll, making a total of twenty-three members. Bro. S. R. Perry, of Florida, is a welcome transfer from Mu Chapter. Bro. G. P. Maury, of Virginia, is our latest goat, and we introduce him to the Fraternity with pride and pleasure.

We can also report another addition to the Fraternity: Bro. Phipps Miller has "married a wife," and we expect to welcome them soon to the University, where they will live.

Bro. J. W. S. Rhea (*I'*), who is now at Knoxville, Tenn., paid us a flying visit just after Christmas.

Our officers for the winter term are A. J. Wittson, G. M.; H. G. Robinson, G. M. C.; F. Harper, G. P.; James Haye Paxton, G. S.; W. D. Burbage, G. T. F. N. Carr has been chosen to represent the Chapter on the editorial board of *Corks and Curls*, the college annual.

The attendance of the University shows a regular yearly increase—four hundred and thirty-seven this year, four hundred and fifteen last year, and less than four hundred the year before.

Many improvements are being made, both in the collegiate courses and in the grounds and buildings. A new athletic campus, with a fine running track, has been completed, ice-ponds are being made, a thoroughly-equipped gymnasium is in the course of construction. If a conditional bequest materializes, a new chair of English and rhetoric will be founded. We hope that the Fayerweather gift of \$100,000 will not be taken from us.

The organization of the Southern Athletic Association, a great thing for Southern athletics, has been effected, and the President of our Athletic Association is also the President of the S. A. A. In foot-ball we are the champions of the South.

Zeta Chapter congratulates the editors of THE CADUCEUS on the excellence of the Conclave Number.

Fraternally,

JAS. HAYE PAXTON.

JANUARY 8th, 1893.

ETA.

RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE, ASHLAND, VA.

Greeting to all within * * * * !

Since Eta's last report to THE CADUCEUS, the host of Greeks at Randolph-Macon has moved steadily onward, and to-day presents a solid front to friends or foes. Nor is *K Σ* last in the phalanx, in spite of her conservative action mentioned in our last letter. From that it may be remembered that we had then gained only one new member this session, but were on the lookout, and expectantly waiting. Shortly after the letter was sent *Σ* and *O H* swung apart, and under * * * , two others from the outer world, passed to Bologna's shrine, and to-day *K Σ* claims two loyal sons the more. The Chapter takes pleasure in introducing to the *K Σ* clan, Bros. Tom Wallace, of Shelbyville, Ky., and John W. Robinson, of Graham's Forge, Va., and feels confident that she has done aright in choosing them.

In regard to the other Greeks here, we beg to say that none now equal us in numbers. *Φ K Σ* comes next with eight men. Then

$\Phi \Delta \theta$ and ΣX , seven each, and $\Phi \theta \Psi$ with five. $K \rho$'s transfer still holds forth alone. This makes $K \Sigma$ lead by two men. It would, perhaps, have been possible for us to be yet further in advance, but, as of old, Eta does not propose wittingly to do what she may have to undo, and so just now stands where she is. However, we would say that other men are being considered, and before long an addition or so may come, but "*Festina lente*" is our motto.

The best wishes of Eta go herewith to all who have passed the * * * * *.

D. B. EASTER.

JANUARY 14th, 1893.

THETA.

CUMBERLAND UNIVERSITY, LEBANON, TENN.

The peaceful quietude of our Chapter's history has been unbroken since our last letter, and with firm and steady step, bound together by the cement of brotherly love, side by side, hand in hand we've marched onward, and we hope, upward.

Bro. Barbee, who was almost overcome by an attack of slow typhoid fever, is up again, and we are heartily glad to have his cheerful face among us once more.

The Philomathean Society (literary) gave their annual public entertainment several weeks ago, at which the ability of the University was very ably displayed by the representatives of the different Fraternities and of the "Barbs." $K \Sigma$ was represented by Bro. W. S. Faulkner, who very creditably fulfilled his position.

A concert given by the members of the $A T \Omega$ Fraternity, as a benefit for the purpose of furnishing their Chapter-hall, was very much enjoyed by their friends. The best talent of the school was represented, and the audience very liberally applauded the effort.

Theta's Halloween party, which we mentioned in our last letter, was as successful as could be desired by the most sanguine. Thirty couples were present, and after the bountiful

supper was partaken of, the mystic customs of the night were honored amid glee and merriment. All went away declaring the delightful pleasure of the evening, and their thanks to Theta.

The report of the Conclave was, for the most part, favorably received by our Chapter; the most strenuous objection being, I believe, to the compulsory subscription to THE CADUCEUS in addition to the annual dues.

Your correspondent has not yet seen THE CADUCEUS, so can say nothing in regard to it.

Our Chapter-roll is unchanged since our last writing.

Very fraternally,

C. Y. RICE.

DECEMBER 27th, 1892.

KAPPA.

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, NASHVILLE, TENN.

Since the last appearance of THE CADUCEUS our Christmas holiday has come and gone, and all that the student has to look forward to now is the summer vacation, and that seems to be at an almost infinite distance.

We have "ridden" two new "goats" since our last writing, Bro. C. T. Kirkpatrick and Bro. Fisher. Both are Tennesseans and good men, worthy of the high honors we have bestowed upon them. Bro. Cook comes to us as a transfer from the Southwestern Baptist University at Jackson, Tenn.

Kappa Chapter now has about sixteen names upon her roll; it is very unlikely that any additions will be made to our strength unless some extraordinary material appears at the opening of the second term.

We appreciate the great honor that has been conferred upon our Chapter through the election of Bro. Burke to the office of W. G. M. in the last Conclave. We believe that he will fill that high position as becomes the true and loyal $K \Sigma$ which he is. During the holidays he was united in marriage to Miss Richards, one of Tennessee's fairest daughters. He is to be congratulated for she was one of $K \Sigma$'s truest sisters.

For the past few days we have had with us Bro. Walter Taylor, of Z. Bro. Taylor did his preparatory work in this city and we expected to have the pleasure of "riding" him ourselves, but as he entered the University of Virginia, we must yield the palm to them.

Our intermediate examination will be upon us in a few days, and it is to be hoped that no *K Σ* will be compelled to visit his fond parents on account of "failure in eyes or health."

It has been rumored in our midst that an Inter-collegiate Athletic Association has been formed among the leading colleges of the South, and, although Vanderbilt was not represented in the Convention of delegates, we hope that we can enter the Association and so come in contact with some of our brothers either upon the "gridiron field" or upon the "diamond."

Yours in *K Σ* bond,

W. C. BEARD.

JANUARY 9th, 1893.

XI.

ARKANSAS INDUSTRIAL UNIVERSITY, FAYETTEVILLE, ARK.

Here is old Xi, the "pioneer," after so long an absence! Greeting, *K Σ*'s. Give us the grip, for we feel as Rip Van Winkle after his lethargic slumber. It wasn't our fault. We were listlessly strolling down here among these barbarian "non-frats," and the benumbing influence of their schnapps silently lulled us to sleep.

But now we awake. What most startles us are the great changes that have taken place in the Greek world since our last report appeared in THE CADUCEUS. Our organ has been enlarged and beautified in every direction; new Chapters have been created; old ones have grown in strength and prestige; the Tenth Biennial Conclave has come and gone—and left many traces of its magnificence; a new S. E. C. presides over our destinies, and *K Σ* is on the rapid forward march.

The success of the session of 1892 at the A. I. U. was more

flattering, indeed, to the Institution itself than to the meek and solitary Greek Fraternity nestled within its walls. Out of a large number of new students at the opening in March, only a very few cared to unite themselves with a Fraternity. Of these, "Sigs" polished her arrows for four bright and shining marks, one of whom is now a loyal and worthy brother, and the others are promised for this year.

Our addition was C. Edward Hall, '93, of Dardanelle, son of Lawyer L. C. Hall.

This is vacation, and our members are widely scattered. Bros. S. M. and J. C. Purdy are at their home in Lake Providence, La.

Bro. S. F. Vaulx, who has taken the B. A. degree, remains at Fayetteville. Bros. Crawford and Vaughan are teaching, the one in Professor Futrall's (John C.'s father) Graded School at Marianna, and the other at Wilton. Bro. Humphrey is a commercial traveler, and Bro. Sellers is in the practice of law at Morrillton.

Our quota will be small at the beginning of next session, but we expect to win our way and keep our banner bright, out here on the frontier.

We regret very much not having been able to be represented at the recent Conclave, but we felt its inspiring influence all the same; and we earnestly hope to be among the rejoicers at the next assemblage.

Fraternally,

GEORGE VAUGHAN.

OMICRON.

EMORY AND HENRY COLLEGE, EMORY, VA.

You are doubtless amazed to see these lines from Omicron, as she has apparently kept silent for some time, and not burdened **THE CADUCEUS** with an account of her progress since September, '91. It is not that our love for *K Σ* is dying, nor that our interest in the welfare of our journal is weakening, for, were it possible, we would gladly furnish a Chapter letter for every

number, but the ill-disposition of the Faculty toward Fraternities renders it practically impossible.

Ever since the establishment of our Chapter at Emory and Henry, the question of secret societies has furnished a subject for numerous chapel talks, in which the members of the Faculty make a display of their ignorance in regard to them, which is a source of embarrassment, not only to the Fraternity men, but also to the boys who are longing to "get in," to whom the name legion might well be applied, "for they are many."

"But truth crushed to earth will rise again," says the old proverb, and so Omicron still moves onward, laden with honors.

At Commencement, in June, the Collins Prize for English Composition was awarded to Bro. Charles H. Shannon, who also took the first honor of his class. Bro. Hale carried off the Debater's medal of the Calliopean Society and Bro. Taylor won the medal for improvement in debate given by the Hermesian Society.

College opened this year with four *K Σ*'s—F. Y. Jackson, R. L. Taylor, C. W. Rankin, and E. E. Wiley, Jr.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Bro. Taylor, G. M.; Bro. Jackson, G. M. C.; Bro. Rankin, G. T.; E. E. Wiley, Jr., G. S.

We have as yet initiated but one man; not that we have failed on any, but that we had not seen fit to take further steps in that direction. The fortunate one was Samuel Neill, Jr., of Rogersville, Tenn., who, with grace and dignity, rode the playful "Billy" safely through the * * * * *.

We were honored with a visit from Bros. Pritchett and Shannon during Christmas, the former of whom is the successful President of Hiwassee College, Tennessee, the latter Professor of Greek in St. Alban's School.

With many good wishes for the success of THE CADUCEUS, I am,

Yours in *K Σ*,

E. E. WILEY, JR.

JANUARY 17th, 1893.

PI.

SWARTHMORE COLLEGE, SWARTHMORE, PA.

I suppose you are all back from your Christmas vacation with renewed resolutions to do better work in all lines than in the past ; to strive with a manly purpose for whatever honors may be in store for those who are capable of winning them. I hope that we have all returned with a determination to spare no efforts for the good of the *K Σ* Fraternity, that bond of fellowship which is so dear to all of us.

Since our last letter to THE CADUCEUS, we have shown the mysteries and benefits of the *K Σ* Fraternity to three barbs., and made of them true and loyal *K Σ* brothers. I introduce them to you in the order of their initiation, and commend them to all brothers wherever they may meet.

On the evening of November 30th, 1892, we ushered safely within the fold Herbert Comely Mode, '95, of Modena, Pa. ; on December 12th, Bro. George Haydock Brooke, '93, of Rising Sun, Md., was shown the mysteries. Immediately after Brooke's initiation, Charles George Hodge, '96, of Washington, D. C., was ushered within the * * * * *. This swells our roll to seven, and this we think a very good size for a Chapter.

Bro. Hart is one of the three speakers for the Eunomian Literary Society in its annual debate with the Delphic Literary Society. These debates are very hotly contested, and no less interest will be made manifest this year. Bro. Hart is accustomed to public speaking, and no doubt will do himself honor on the occasion.

The last number of THE CADUCEUS was very satisfactory to us indeed. The poem "Love the Order," by Bro. Jackson, deserves more than passing notice.

In athletics Pi Chapter will be well represented during the coming spring. Bros. Brooke and Hodge will play in the college nine, the former in the box and the latter at short-stop. Bro. Brooke will also be the champion pole vaulter of the col-

lege, vaulting 10 feet 8 inches. Bro. Mode will continue riding his wheel, and will be able to do very good work.

The Chapter will hold its Annual Banquet at "The Bellevue," Philadelphia, in April.

With kindest regards to all $K \Sigma$'s, I remain,

Yours fraternally,

A. E. BLACKBURN.

SIGMA.

TULANE UNIVERSITY, NEW ORLEANS, LA.

THE CADUCEUS for November reached us as a Christmas gift. On the 24th your humble scribe received a notice from Uncle Sam that a package was addressed to him. Delighted, indeed, he was when he found that the long-expected, cherished journal of our Order had arrived. Still more jubilant was he when, after careful examination, he became convinced that it was by far the best copy ever issued from the office of Bro. Warner. The Conclave group, the S. E. C., and the Sigma group were most artistically reproduced, and the matter was newsy, attractive, and business like in every particular. The response to President Blanchard by Benj. H. Bayliss, New York University, '65, was exceptionally forcible, and proves conclusively to any one who has a right understanding that College Fraternities are essential in the student life at any large University, and that they have a much loftier and honorable aim than President Blanchard was inclined to believe. Bro. Warner deserves a high compliment for his able management of THE CADUCEUS, and Sigma congratulates the $K \Sigma$ world in having re-elected him to his former position.

Since our last, two "barbs" who thought as Benj. H. Bayliss, and not as Mr. Blanchard, decided to meet our ferocious "billy." It is with pleasure that I introduce to all true and loyal $K \Sigma$'s Bro. Thomas Henry Watkins, Jr., Hayes, Miss., and Bro. P. Leonce Thibaut, New Orleans, La. This makes us eight initiates this year, and as we have been taught to be cautious, we

will not initiate another man this session, unless we have carefully studied every point about him.

Sigma has at last supplied a long-felt want. We appointed a committee in the first days of November to look after a commodious and centrally-located Chapter Hall. The Committee was composed of Bros. Pierson, Vergez, and P. A. Thibaut. After serious investigation the committee decided upon a hall at No. 15 Carondelet Street. Both active and alumni members subscribed liberally to the enhancement of our place of meeting, and we trust that by the date set for the State Convention we will have a neat little club-room in which to entertain our guests. Should any brother chance to pass through the Crescent City, let him not fail to give us a call at the Chapter Hall of Sigma Chapter.

I am happy to announce to our brothers that Sigma has won some more honors in the field of "class politics." At the semi-annual election of the Glendy Burke Literary Society, Bros. J. O. Daspit and Edward Pierson were elected Vice-President and Censor, respectively, of this sterling literary organization. The elections were followed by a banquet, at which your humble scribe figured as acting President and Chairman of the Arrangements Committee.

The elections of Bros. Daspit and Pierson were almost unanimous, the $\Phi \Lambda \Theta$'s only offering opposition. The Φ 's were indignant at the idea of being defeated by the $K \Sigma$'s in the elections of both the Tulane Athletic Association and the Glendy Burke Society. They thought they would get even with us by uttering, through their youthful correspondent in the *Scroll*, a few remarks derogatory to our *quality*. The correspondent of Louisiana *Alpha*, $\Phi \Lambda \Theta$, is a mere youth, barely in his teens, and, up to a few weeks ago, was still in his knee-breeches. We would advise him not to try this game with $K \Sigma$, as he is young yet, and advise the Φ 's at Tulane to do as every gentleman should do—bear an honorable defeat gracefully, and not try to satisfy their hearts, bruised by defeat, by casting any untrue insinuations against their rivals! Do as

the other Fraternities do at Tulane: if you are defeated, congratulate your rival, but do not try to run him down.

We are indebted to Bro. Herbert M. Martin for a full account of the business transacted at the Tenth Biennial Conclave. We have read the account with deep interest and think it up to the point in every particular.

The majority of our brothers who live in the parishes have gone to spend their 'Xmas holidays with their parents. Although the holidays will be over by the time this letter will be published, I do not think it out of place to wish our brothers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and add to this my sincere wishes for $K \Sigma$ for long and glorious strides in the path of enlightenment and virtue in years to come.

Your correspondent was agreeably surprised to meet two prominent $K \Sigma$'s in New Orleans—Bros. Hughes T. Reynolds (θ), and Henry Wm. Blanc (\mathcal{L}). Bro. Reynolds was only a few hours with us, but impressed us most favorably. It is his intention to try and have a representative delegation from the Tennessee Chapters in our midst during the Mardi Gras week. To all who would wish to come, we extend a fraternal welcome. Bro. Blanc is spending a well-earned vacation with his wife, and will be with us up to the first days of March. As he is thoroughly acquainted with the workings of the Order, Sigma will derive much benefit from his stay among us.

With best wishes for the "Star and Crescent," I am, as ever,

Your brother, in the bonds of $K \Sigma$,

P. ARTHUR THIBAUT.

TAU.

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AUSTIN, TEXAS.

Tau Chapter again, amid prosperity and success, greets her sisters in the Order.

The "Star and Crescent," which for so long has glistened in beauty upon the shoulders of our best college element, still holds her own at our Texas University, and claims among her

faithful devotees the leading men in every department of this institution. Dame Fortune has looked, it seems, in her brightest mood upon her since first her advent here, and although each year she sends out into the great State, of which this University is the intellectual centre, many of her most ardent men, yet each succeeding session finds her foremost in the great Greek ranks of the college, overcoming formidable rivals and maintaining her standard of tone and excellence.

This year finds the Chapter in quite a prosperous condition. The success of our brothers during the previous term and the quality of those left behind alike inspired our leaders to active work.

During the year of '91-'92, *K Σ*'s success was glorious. In every avenue of college prominence we attained the greatest good.

Bro. Gano, after quite a memorable and bitterly-contested struggle, was chosen as the final orator of the Athenæum Society. Bro. Brooks, in the department of law, easily carried off the highest honors of his class, and Bro. Depew, although precluded by a late entrance from honors, distinguished himself and his Fraternity by scoring the highest grades in his classes that the records of the University chronicles.

In the field of athletics, Bro. Richard Lee was the "conquering hero" of the hour. His numerous medals earned upon this "field of glory," and the encouraging smiles of the captivating ladies upon that occasion alike attested his skill as an athlete and his popularity and success as a diplomat.

In the preliminary oratorical contest we were also represented, and, in the person of Bro. Jos. S. Wooten, our colors were creditably and ably carried in the Senior class of the academy.

This year found with us about ten only of our former twenty, but soon the practical advice and eloquent appeals of Bro. Jester, aided by our far-sighted and persuasive Bro. Bailey, had operated well upon about all the desirable new matriculates in the institution, and before two months had elapsed Messrs. Walter Gresham, of Galveston; William Walock, of Austin;

C. C. Clark, of Dallas ; and W. Sperry Hunt, of Austin, were brought within the * * * * and made acquainted with the mysteries and beauties that cling around and about our brotherhood. We thus introduce and commend these brothers to you as most companionable brothers and affable men.

We were successful in converting George B. Garrison early in the session. His addition to our numbers adds a distinguished name to $\mathcal{K} \Sigma$'s already distinguished list. As Professor of History in the Texas University he has attained the greatest popularity and success, while as a scholar in history and literature generally he bids fair to reach the greatest distinction and honor. Well may we rejoice at this our gain, which means a loss to all who failed to capture him, and an honor to our whole Fraternity. We have also in the Faculty our old members, Bros. Taylor and Simonds. Bro. Taylor is the "stand-by" of our Chapter—the rock to which we all flee in time of Fraternity peril—the one man whose big-hearted generosity, whose enthusiastic loyalty, whose genuine "beauty of character" and sincerity of heart has rendered him a favorite among all classes of students, and to us "an elder brother" of the noblest type of manhood.

The Chapter misses much Bro. Joe Wooten, who now pursues his medical studies at Galveston.

Long and faithfully has Bro. Wooten served and honored Tau, and not a man is there of all her followers but who recalls with fraternal regard his warmth of devotion and earnestness of endeavor. Tau wafts her best wishes after him, and trusts that success and happiness may await him in every sphere.

The Fraternity world at the University is at peace. Nine different Fraternities seem to be doing well, and harmony reigns supreme. $\mathcal{K} \Sigma$ is at enmity with none, and we all see "how blessed it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

This year's honors seem spread out before us within our grasp. The decisions are not yet made, but we expect, and sanguinely, too, the lion's share.

Owing to press of work and the long distance to Washington, Tau was not represented at the Conclave. The writer was

chosen to go, but found it impossible to leave. Next time we hope to do better. Bro. Crosby, of Sewanee, has our thanks for kindly representing us on the above occasion.

With best wishes for *K Σ*'s success in every sphere, and with earnest hopes for a prosperous year,

I am fraternally,
W. LEE ESTES.

JANUARY 13th, 1893.

PHI.

SOUTHWESTERN PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY, CLARKSVILLE,
TENN.

Phi Chapter has every prospect for a prosperous and progressive future. She has fourteen active men, energetic and enthusiastic in her cause. There has been no addition to her membership since our last letter, as the material was well "worked up" before that date. Most of the available men, who were not in the ranks of the Greeks, have now cast their lot with some of the Fraternities, and, of this number, Phi welcomed several who have proven themselves eminently worthy of the honor of admission.

All of the Greeks of this University are in perfect harmony, and bid fair to continue so. Discord among the different Fraternities works to the detriment of each one involved, and has been a very fruitful cause of intensifying and accelerating that erroneous idea concerning the Greeks which is so prevalent among those whose only qualification for writing against such organizations is their total ignorance of the subject.

The Christmas holidays were very pleasantly spent here by our boys. Being freed from the toil of our text-books, we had the time for several very pleasant social gatherings.

The reviews are upon us, and the examinations are at hand. Three of our number are candidates for degrees this year.

Bro. William Daniel, who has been so very ill for the last three months, is again with us, much to our great pleasure.

Bro. Theo. Bringhurst is to leave us soon. We regret his departure, but, since it must be, our best wishes attend him.

The report of the proceedings of the Conclave reached us recently, and we are highly pleased with the work of that Assembly. The many arduous duties were discharged by that body in a manner highly satisfactory and worthy of the greatest admiration of our *K Σ* brothers.

THE CADUCEUS of November is one of the best that has come to hand, and it delights us to see the excellence that our Journal is acquiring with each issue. The "Chapter letters" are sought with much eagerness, and it is a grievous disappointment to "seek and find not." The deep interest felt by every *K Σ* in the success of the Chapters causes him first to peruse those records of their proceedings. Accordingly, we Chapter correspondents should regard it a breach of duty to our brothers not to get our letters in on time, or to have them in such order that they are "allowed to find their own level in the scrap-basket."

The writer had the pleasure of visiting the homes of Tau and Iota Chapters during the summer, and was glad to find that they were in a prosperous condition.

Bro. Henry, formerly of Phi, now of Theta, favored us with a visit during the holidays. We are always glad to have any of the brothers with us, and appreciate their presence.

With best wishes for the future of the Fraternity, and the success of the Order, I am,

Faternally,

JANUARY 7th, 1893.

SHAPLEY P. ROSS.

ALPHA-BETA.

MERCER UNIVERSITY, MACON, GA.

On December 23d, Mercer's doors were closed, and the boys went to their homes to enjoy the 'Xmas holidays. Our small but enthusiastic band of five separated with a hearty grip and with many wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, each to each.

On January 3d, Mercer's doors were again opened, and most of the students were back. At the calling of the roll, every *K Σ*, I am happy to say, resounded to his name. We would have numbered seven had not Bros. John K. White and Robert Corbin left us a short while before the holidays. Shortly after they left Bro. A. W. Evans, one of Alpha-Beta's Charter members made us a visit. Bro. Evans happened here during the latter part of the week, and, consequently, we had the pleasure of his presence at our regular meeting. His visit was timely, for we had pledged two men, both of whom were taken over other Fraternities, to join us that night. I take pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity our last two initiates, Bros. J. K. Searcy and J. D. Rabun, both of whom are well worthy to wear the badge of the Order.

Alpha-Beta's members are true sons to *K Σ*, and they all work together, for they fully realize that "team work" will tell where individual work will not.

Wishing a prosperous New Year to all wearers of the "Star and Crescent," and with a hearty grip to all, I remain,

Yours, in *K Σ*,

MARK J. WHITE.

JANUARY 5th, 1893.

ALPHA-GAMMA.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

The University of Illinois, although but twenty-five years old, has quite a large number of alumni. Our graduates have formed alumni clubs in many Western cities, and, naturally, Chicago contains the largest one. The Chicago Club has recently leased a piece of ground in the business portion of the city with the intention of erecting a club-house and office building. The three-story building at present occupying the site will be allowed to remain one year before the club begins to erect the intended building. Doubtless, in future years, many a *K Σ* will meet his brothers there.

Our college athletic association has a project in view that

will, without doubt, render the University of Illinois well known throughout our State. The idea is to hold a High-School field day here some time in the spring. Athletic associations of all such schools in the State will be asked to send representatives to compete.

A Chapter of the $\Phi K \Sigma$ Fraternity has been instituted here. At present they have six members and are in a healthy condition. The Faculty has reported favorably on the petition of several young ladies asking to be allowed to establish a Chapter of a Greek-letter society here, and their initiation will probably be an event of the near future. Rumor says that the society they are trying to get is the $K A \theta$.

Base-ball training was begun last week under the guidance of Mr. E. K. Hall, Professor of Athletics, and Bro. Huff, the manager. There are fifty-two applicants for positions on the team and there is every assurance that this year's team will earn a high place among Western colleges. Next year's football eleven will be managed by Bro. Cornell and captained by Bro. Atherton. Bro. Atherton, by the way, is not in the University this term, having obtained a position in the engineering department of the World's Fair. He will be back next year, however.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bro. G. W. Mitchell into the mysteries of $K \Sigma$, and have also spiked two gentlemen who will soon become true and lawful $K \Sigma$'s. Bro. Dill, formerly of Purdue University, has recently come to us from Chi Chapter. He is a typical member of our Fraternity and we are glad to welcome him.

We have received news that Bro. Lackey, of Chi, is to be married on the 25th of this month. Bro. Lackey was the chief factor in organizing our Chapter here, and all our members unite in heartily congratulating him.

LOUIS S. DRAKE.

JANUARY 22d, 1893.

ALPHA-EPSILON.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Since the last chapter letter of Alpha-Epsilon changes have taken place in the Chapter which aptly illustrate the fact that time with its endless mutations makes the College period of one's life at best but a period of transition. But a few short months ago Alpha-Epsilon Chapter, struggling against the fate that seemed to decree her a precarious existence, if existence at all, welcomed into her fold two able and energetic $K \Sigma$'s in Bros. W. W. Hibbert and F. W. Speakman, a fact duly chronicled in the last letter. To-day, however, both these men are out of College and plunged into the whirl and activity of the business world, yet leaving upon the Chapter the impress of their individuality and vigor. For let it be understood that the spirit of progress which dominated Alpha-Epsilon after the time she received the infusion of life and strength from her late active brothers has never been permitted to die out. And in evidence of this fact the Chapter is pleased to record that since January 1st three men have been ushered within the * * * * * and declared true and lawful $K \Sigma$'s. These are Rufus M. Barnes, '94, Law, the captain of last year's University crew and probable stroke of the crew of '93; Wm. B. Langlois, '94, Medical, who played left-end on the 'Varsity foot-ball team last year; and John M. Shannon, '94, Medical, who rowed on his class crew and is a candidate for a seat in this year's 'Varsity crew.

Through the kindness of Pi Chapter the initiation of the two last-named brothers was performed at the Swarthmore boys' Chapter rooms, Alpha-Epsilon having not as yet secured suitable quarters. It is hoped and believed, however, that before her next letter the Chapter will be ensconced in rooms near the University.

J. HARRY COVINGTON.

JANUARY 31st, 1893.

ALPHA-ZETA.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN.

Since our letter to the November number of *THE CADUCEUS*, Alpha-Zeta's roll has been increased by the addition of four staunch supporters of the "Star and Crescent," who were ushered into the light of Greeks on November 5th. They are Jay Marshal Lamer, McPherson, Kan.; Ernest Paul Bennett, Fort Scott, Kan.; Frank Maury Wells, Portland, Ore., and John Edward Johntz, Abilene, Kan., all of whom we are proud to acknowledge as brothers.

Bro. Wells has the honor of being one of the quiz-masters of the University of Michigan Law Department.

College opened last Tuesday, and we have again settled down to business—that is, as far as possible in the face of the gayety of Ann Arbor just now, incident upon dances, parties, etc. We are having light falls of snow almost daily, and the coasting and sleighing is elegant, of which the boys and girls are taking full advantage.

While in Chicago, during the holidays, mine was the pleasure of meeting several members of our Chapter at the University of Illinois. I must say that one rarely sees a finer set of men, and Alpha-Gamma may well feel proud of them.

Most of our men have received their new badges from Wright, Kay & Co., and they are very highly pleased with them. It was my good fortune to receive among my Christmas presents a very handsome *K Σ* badge.

Although Alpha-Zeta was not represented at the Conclave, much to our regret, yet we have kept up with proceedings by aid of the printed copies, and most heartily approve the acts of the Conclave.

Fraternally,

A. M. ASHLEY.

JANUARY 16th, 1893.

ALPHA-THETA.

SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST UNIVERSITY, JACKSON, TENN.

Since our last letter five barbarians have outstripped Cossa and his robbers, and have been admitted into the "City of Letters." These are as follows: Z. J. Amerson, Toledo, Ala., '93; A. L. Todd, Murfreesboro, Tenn., '94; J. D. Campbell, Bolivar, Tenn., '96; W. E. Powell, Toluca, Mexico, '95; E. W. Essary, Chesterfield, Tenn., '93. These are among the best men in school, and they are men of whom any Fraternity would feel proud. It was by hard work that we gained some of them over our rival Fraternity, $\Sigma A E$. These increase our number to thirteen, while $\Sigma A E$ claims twenty. This difference of number, however, is not by any means discouraging to us. Their watchword seems to be "quantity," while ours is always "quality."

We do not mean to be boastful, but we can say that never yet have we failed to "ring in" a man when we wanted him.

We regret to announce the loss of Bro. Brandon from our Chapter. For two years he has been in charge of the Preparatory Department of the S. W. B. U., and he has given entire satisfaction in every respect. He was among the first initiates of Alpha-Theta Chapter, and ever since his initiation he has been a hearty supporter of the cause of $K \Sigma$. He goes to Guthrie, Ky., to take charge of a flourishing school located at that place. Bro. Todd has been chosen to fill his chair for the remainder of the term—another honor for $K \Sigma$.

The correspondent wishes to correct an almost unpardonable mistake in $A \theta$'s last letter to THE CADUCEUS. In it was the statement that Crook and Dennison were the two first initiates of Alpha-Theta Chapter. This is in part true, but it is not the whole truth. Bro. John Buford ran the gauntlet the same evening, even going in advance of Bro. Crook and myself. I suppose it was owing to this last fact that his initiation was not impressed more vividly on my mind.

Bros. Buford, Botts, Robertson, Holbrook, Caldwell, Deu-

pree, A. B., and Harris continue to take as active an interest in our affairs as if they were again ambitious "Sophs," to whom the mysteries of the Greek world but lately had been disclosed. They compose one of the mainstays of Alpha-Theta, and as long as they remain in Jackson she is sure to prosper.

Doubtless elsewhere in the columns of THE CADUCEUS will be given due notice of the marriage of W. G. M. Burke to Miss Nora Richards, of Nashville, on December 27th, 1892. Instead of losing a member by this marriage (as is often the case), we expect to gain a very valuable one, as Mrs. Burke seems to take as much interest in the welfare of dear old $\kappa \Sigma$ as Bro. Burke himself, notwithstanding the fact that she is not permitted to enjoy the secrets of our beloved Order.

Most of our men enjoyed the pleasure last week of a hearty grip with Bro. Smith, of κ . He had been delayed by washouts on the railroad, and it was only by chance that we came upon him while in town.

We have just passed through a long series of examinations, and feel like taking a rest.

Yours in $\kappa \Sigma$ bonds,

F. L. DENNISON.

JANUARY 13th, 1893.

ALPHA-IOTA.

U. S. GRANT UNIVERSITY, ATHENS, TENN.

Alpha-Iota thus far has led a very uneventful year, so far as striking events are concerned, yet she has steadily advanced in strength in all directions toward an ideal Fraternity life. While we have been very conservative in taking in new men, we feel that it is the best to have a few strong men than many weak ones.

Before this shall be baptized in printer's ink, three more worthy men will become knights of the "Star and Crescent."

The University has lately received a considerable donation which will enable it to push along in the several lines of work in which it has been delayed for some time.

During the holiday season most of the brothers absented themselves, but all came back enthused with renewed energy for the year.

The department of elocution has been materially strengthened by Professor Peak and now promises to be equal to any in the South.

We are now making extensive preparations for a banquet to be held in the near future, at which we expect a royal time.

With best wishes for our CADUCEUS, I remain,
Yours fraternally,

E. C. MULLER.

JANUARY 23d, 1893.

ALPHA-KAPPA.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, N. Y.

We come with our report this month from the depths of "bohning" for final exams. and the consequent worry and anxiety. But this general feeling does not extend to matters fraternal: since our last letter we have admitted two new members—brothers in heart and soul now—and we wish to introduce them to you—Messrs. Bailey and Newton.

Several more have signified their willingness, and we hope each subsequent letter may bear the same report of our success in the endeavor to place Alpha-Kappa on a solid and enviable foundation.

I cannot refrain from telling you of a compliment that came to our knowledge recently. One of our Professors, who by the way is an active temperance worker, in conversation with a student remarked that there was but one Fraternity that prohibited the presence of liquor in its hall, and that was $\Lambda \Sigma$.

While I do not believe the truth would allow quite so broad a statement, yet it shows one phase of our reputation.

Perhaps our brothers would be interested to know the honors which some of our members have earned by virtue of untiring zeal and merited popularity. Bro. Putnam, your for-

mer correspondent, and Bro. Warriner bear—and with becoming modesty—the titles of second lieutenants in Companies M and H respectively; Bro. Beach is first lieutenant of Company F, and Bro. Chas. Dunn, our present G. M., is first major of the Cornell Battalion. Bro. Rulison is athletic director of Junior Class, and Bro. Benjamin is Junior Class representative of St. Andrew's Brotherhood.

We are as yet discussing some of the actions of the recent Conclave, and as our opinions have been reported from another quarter I will not repeat.

With the best wishes for our brotherhood at large we remain,
Yours in the bonds,

E. P. BOYNTON.

DECEMBER 20th, 1892.

PERSONALS.

A

Professor Charles B. Burke, W. G. M., was married, on December 27th, 1892, to Miss Nora Richards, of Nashville, Tenn.

Z

'91. Dr. Julien T. Miller, a last year's graduate in medicine at this institution, has been attending a post-graduate school in New York this winter. He was recently successful in a competitive examination at this college, and has received the appointment as resident physician at the general hospital and dispensary at Elizabeth, N. J.—*University of Virginia Correspondent of Richmond Dispatch.*

H

Rev. W. S. Hales is pastor of the Methodist Church at Kings Mountain, N. C.

K

W. S. Youree has been elected Secretary and Treasurer of the Shreveport (Miss.) Mill and Elevator Co.

M

W. Homer Greer is junior editor and one of the proprietors of a new paper of Ravenswood, W. Va., *The Mountaineer*, which promises to be "a live and aggressive Democratic newspaper, fair, fearless, and free."

II

'93. Walter W. Hibbert has accepted a position with Dr. W. A. Drysdale, consulting electrical engineer, Philadelphia.

'94. Winthrop W. Shattuck has a position with the Babcock & Wilcox Boiler Co., New York city.

'94. Edward T. Lea now holds a position with the Wilmington Electric Railway, Wilmington, Del.

I'

Rev. John Lee Allison has accepted a call to the Court Street Presbyterian Church, Portsmouth, Va. Bro. Allison has been located at Wytheville, Va., up to the present time.

Ø

C. E. Cooke is in the Merchants' and Farmers' National Bank, of Clarksville, Tenn.

R. H. Henry is with the Anchor Line Co., at St. Louis.

T. P. Bringhurst is in the office of the Georgia Central Railroad, at Chattanooga, Tenn.

J. V. Coe is in the lumber business in Staunton, Ala.

COLLEGE AND FRATERNITY NOTES AND CLIPPINGS.

COLLEGE FRATERNITY MEN EXPELLED.

JACKSON, MISS., November 3d — [Special].— President Stephen D. Lee discovered on Tuesday last the existence of a Chapter of the $\Sigma A E$ Fraternity at the State Agricultural College, and in consequence three of the eight members of his Senior class, two Juniors, and four Sophomores were expelled. Secret organizations are especially forbidden at this college, but this one has flourished there six years. The students were offered the alternatives of renouncing allegiance to the Order or expulsion.—*Pittsburgh Times*.

It is reported that Tennessee Beta Chapter of $\Phi A \Theta$ at the University of the South, Sewanee, is to be build a \$1,700 lodge.

The first Chapter-house at Vanderbilt University has been built by $\Phi A \Theta$.

The $K K \Gamma$ and $K A \Theta$ Chapters at Indiana University has entered into a compact to offer no invitations for membership until four weeks after college opens.

“Have you seen to-day’s paper?”

“Yes.”

“What Professor is going to the Chicago University this morning?”—*Ex*.

Of the 65,000 students in American colleges, 4,000 are preparing for the ministry.—*The Dartmouth*.

The Texas Pan-Hellenic Society was organized at Fort Worth Texas, September 7th, and its initial banquet given at “Ye Arlington Inn.” The menu card was a striking novelty. It was coffin-shaped, on the front being the emblematic skull

and cross-bones, and a striking sketch of the woes of a "Barbarian" being led to Hades, "led" by the strongly persuasive influence of the Chapter goat that was bringing up the rear. The badge of each of the societies was printed as a border for the toasts.—*Φ Α Θ Scroll*.

The college phrase "not in it" is not new, as many would suppose, but it was used by Euripedes more than 2,000 years ago in his *Maleagar*, when he says: "Cowards do not count in battle; they are there, but not in it."—*Mail and Express*.

The active membership of *Φ Γ J* for 1891-'92 was 615, of whom 115 were new initiates. The Fraternity has made a law rendering men "lifted" from other Fraternities ineligible to membership.

All Fraternities at University of Michigan have been admitted to membership on the *Palladium* board.

"Non paratus," Junior dixit,
Cum a sad and doleful look;
"Omne rectum," Prof. respondit,
Et "Nihil" scripsit in his book.

—*Adelphian*.

The *Σ Ν* convention authorized its officers to present a jewelled badge as a prize to the first *Σ Ν* who wins first honor in the Inter-State Oratorical Contest of the Southern Oratorical League.

Φ Κ Ψ admits that there are signs of decreased activity, if not positive death in three of her Chapters.

Σ Α Ε has adopted, as an experiment, the system of running a secret organ in which matters pertaining to the internal workings of the Fraternity may be brought solely before the eyes of its own members. It bears the enterprising name of *Hustler*, and will consist of 32 pages of reading matter.

Σ Χ has issued, for some years, a periodical of similar character known as the *Bulletin*, which is sent free to members of the Fraternity subscribing to the *Quarterly*. It appears in the months of October, December, January, March, April, and

June. At the time of the conjunction of *B Θ Π* and the Mystic Seven the *Mystic Messenger* was established to fulfill a like mission, and it still appears contemporaneously with the *Beta Theta Pi*.—*K A Journal*.

In a German university a student's matriculation card shields him from arrest, admits him at half price to theatres, and takes him free to art galleries.—*University Cynic*.

Two hundred and four of the 365 colleges in the United states are co-educational.

Five hundred and twelve students receive free tuition at Cornell each year.

The Northwestern Chapter of *Δ Γ* is reported by the *Σ X* correspondent to have dismissed from her number three Senior members, because the latter saw fit to take unto themselves wives.

Little of Fraternity interest has happened here lately. Delta, *K Σ*'s Chapter at Davidson, established a Chapter of that order at Trinity College, at Durham, N. C., last week. They organized with six men. This college has about 250 students, and now only two Fraternities are represented there, namely, *A T Ω* and *K Σ*.—*K A Correspondent Davidson College*.

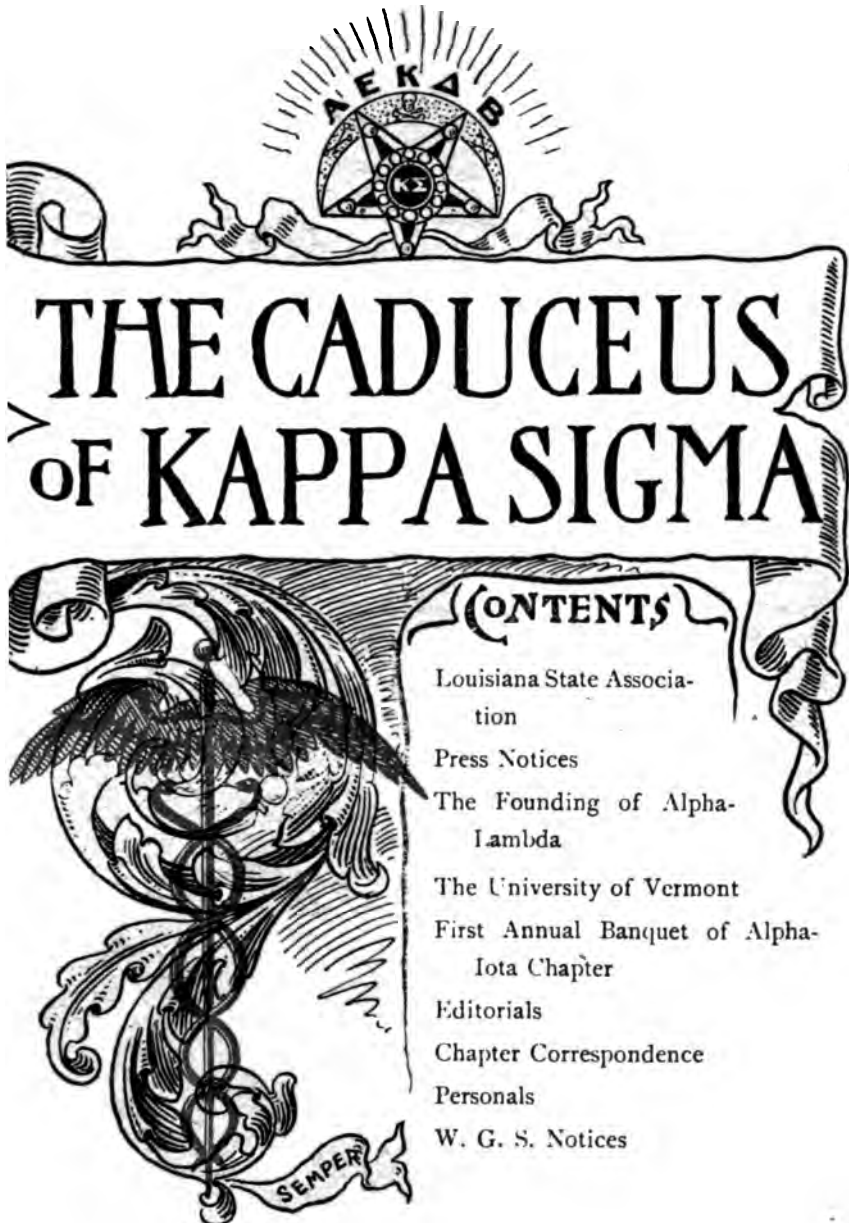
After nine years of most excellent service as editor-in-chief of the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*, Mr. F. M. Crossett retires. His fellow-workers in Fraternity journalism will part with him regretfully, and none with more sincere feeling than the editor of *The Shield*. Mr. C. has nobly upheld the cause of *Δ Γ*, but has never secured laurels for his own Order by snatching them from the brows of others.—*Φ K Ψ Shield*.

The following Chapters of *Σ X* occupy (rented) Chapter-houses: Northwestern, Michigan, California, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Beloit, Wisconsin, Cornell, Pennsylvania State College, and Minnesota, a total of nine.

The Chicago alumni of *Δ K E* have voted 39 to 7 to indorse the chartering of Chapters at both Northwestern and

Chicago Universities, and it is likely that a charter will be given to the applicants from the former place now organized under the name of *T K Φ* .

The recent triennial council of *$\Phi B K$* granted charters to the University of Pennsylvania, University of Minnesota, and Tufts College, but refused Syracuse University, Wabash, Swarthmore, and Bucknell.



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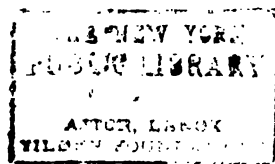
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LOUISIANA STATE ASSOCIATION.

BY P. ARTHUR THIBAUT (Σ).

THE Crescent City welcomes the wearers of the Moslem Crescent and the Christian Star! These words were not uttered, but were most keenly and heartily felt by all the true and loyal $K \Sigma$'s who were present at our Fourth Annual Convention on the 24th and 25th of February. The $K \Sigma$'s of Tulane University extended the right hand of fellowship to their brothers of the L. S. U. and of historic Centenary. The Chapters were well represented; Gamma, of L. S. U., by 13 of her worthiest and most influential men; Epsilon, of Centenary, had 17 staunch men in line; while Baby Sigma, besides her 17 men, counted within her ranks a goodly number of transfers. Defunct Beta had two representatives; "Our Mother Chapter," Zeta, the birthplace of American $K \Sigma$, was represented by one of its members; Phi Chapter was represented by President A. H.

Gay, an adopted son of Epsilon ; and last but not least Omega, who upholds our banner at the University of the South, also took part in the deliberations of our Association, Bro. Paxton, whose heart is in proportion to his colossal form, speaking for Omega.

From the above it will be seen that 52 members responded to the call of the "Fourth Annual Convention of $\mathbf{K} \Sigma$."

The preliminary exercises were held in the hall of Sigma Chapter on the evening of the 24th, after the regular Chapter meeting. The general session was called to order at 10.45 A. M., on the 25th, in parlor B, Hotel Royal. A. H. Gay, Jr., presided. The house was called to order, and Bro. Brown (E), offered a fervent prayer to the Almighty for the success of the Convention. P. Arthur Thibaut (Σ), was appointed Secretary owing to the unavoidable absence of E. Lewis Stephens (Γ). The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. Joseph O. Daspit (Σ) then delivered the Address of Welcome. His masterly effort, which was enthusiastically received, was responded to by W. J. Lewis (E) most appropriately and eloquently.

The Extension Committee reported ; they stated that they would like to be discharged, as they could see no suitable college within their jurisdiction where $\mathbf{K} \Sigma$ could be represented. The committee was discharged. A committee of five, consisting of two members from the Convention, and one from each Chapter in the State, was appointed to find a suitable headquarters for the Association in New Orleans. The Convention then took a recess.

EVENING SESSION.

Promptly at 2 P. M. the house was again called to order. After roll call a motion was made that a committee of five be appointed by the President to confer with other Fraternities with a view to issuing a monthly devoted to Fraternity interests in Louisiana.

The motion was carried. A committee of five was appointed to revise the Constitution of the Association, and to

have it printed. The Convention decided to have its next session at Baton Rouge, on Good Friday and Saturday following, 1894. Prof. T. W. Atkinson, in behalf of Gamma Chapter, thanked the Convention for its choice. A committee was appointed to present an urgent appeal to the S. E. C., inviting them to choose New Orleans as the place of meeting on the occasion of the Eleventh Biennial Grand Conclave.

The Orator of the Day, R. G. Pleasant (Γ), being absent, Wm. C. Dufour (Σ), who had been chosen to replace him, delivered a masterly address on the Order in the United States, dwelling more at length, however, on its aims in Louisiana.

The feature of the Convention was the scholarly address of Armand G. Romain, B. Sc., L. L. B., of Tulane University. Bro. Romaine's address reflects credit on his *Alma Mater*, on his Chapter, and on the Order at large. The Alumni of the State could not have made a more felicitous choice. His address was received with deafening applause.

The election of officers was next in order, and resulted as follows:

President, Dr. John Ellis (E); Vice-President, J. F. Vergez (Σ); Secretary, T. W. Atkinson (Γ); Treasurer, T. J. Perkins (E); Orator, Joseph O. Daspit (Σ).

The newly elected officers took their respective seats, and speeches were then in order. Bro. Ellis, who has the honor of having been the first to plant the seeds of $K \Sigma$ in Louisiana, thanked the Convention for the honor conferred upon him. The other officers also displayed their oratorical powers, and were profuse in their thanks, promising to do their utmost to make the next Convention a success. The Convention then took a recess to 7 P. M.

The session, which opened at 7 P. M., was taken up mainly by routine work. A committee was appointed from Gamma and Epsilon to return thanks to Sigma for her hospitality, and then the delegates adjourned to the sumptuous parlors of Hotel Royal to receive their invited guests. The $A T Q$ Fraternity was represented by Mr. Frank N. Butler; the $K A$'s, by Prof. Wm. Von Phul; ΣX 's, by Mr. Purnell M. Milner; the $A T A$,

by Mr. Ivy G. Kittredge; the $\Phi \lambda \theta$'s, by Mr. C. Hamilton Tebault. The *Times-Democrat* and the *Picayune* were represented, as was also the *Delta*.

At 9 P. M. the delegates and their guests marched to the banquet hall at Antoine's restaurant. A sumptuous feast was prepared by the well-known caterer, and it is needless to say that "our boys" were not reticent in doing full justice to the delicious menu.

Amid the popping of champagne corks, Toast-master R. O. Young called upon P. Arthur Thibaut to respond to Sigma Chapter. Then there was a ceaseless flow of wit and oratory for over an hour.

Mr. Frank N. Butler spoke for $\lambda T \Omega$; Mr. P. M. Milner, for the $\Sigma \lambda$'s; Prof. Von Phul, for the $K \lambda$'s; C. Hamilton Tebault, Esq., for the $\Phi \lambda \theta$'s; Mr. I. G. Kittredge, for the $\lambda T \lambda$; Mr. Rivers, for the *Picayune*; W. C. Dufour for the *Delta*; Bro. Romain, for the Alumni; Bro. Kernan, for the " $K \Sigma$ girls;" Bro. Gay, for the Louisiana State Association; Bro. Pierson, for defunct Beta; Bro. Lewis, for Epsilon; Bro. Atkinson, for Gamma; Bro. Sanders, for Zeta; Bro. Paxton, for Omega; Bro. Wall, for the S. E. C.; Bro. Yank Swayze toasted the "Wash Tub;" Bro. Young, the "Right Hon. Bro. William Goat;" Bro. Monnot made a silent toast to "Jack," a mystic demi-god; then there were three cheers and a tiger for THE CADUCEUS, and the Kappa Sigma Convention was brought to a close by our musical yell:

"Rah! Rah!
Crescent and the Star!
Vive la! Vive la!
Kappa Sigma!"

DELEGATES TO THE FOURTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE LOUISIANA STATE ASSOCIATION OF KAPPA SIGMA.

BETA CHAPTER.—Edgar Cole, Edward Pierson.

GAMMA CHAPTER.—Prof. T. W. Atkinson, H. E. Cocketham, F. E. Girard, W. J. Lewis, G. J. Lyons, F. E. McGuire, A. J. Price, V. L. Roy, W. A. Schæffer, C. A. Schreiber, C. A. Thiel, Jr., Geo. E. Williams, Roy O. Young.

EPSILON CHAPTER.—S. B. Bell, P. M. Brown, S. M. Collins, Dr. John A. Ellis, R. S. Ellis, Dr. Geo. H. Jones, L. M. Keller, G. G. Keller, V. Kirkland, B. McKernan, J. W. Lewis, H. Y. Swayze, O. H. Swayze, A. S. Tomb, W. D. Wall, J. A. Wise, G. J. Woodside.

ZETA CHAPTER.—R. D. Sanders.

PHI CHAPTER.—A. H. Gay, Jr.

SIGMA CHAPTER.—J. D. Barksdale, J. J. Bayle, J. R. Buchanan, E. G. Dufour, H. G. Dufour, W. C. Dufour, J. O. Daspit, Dr. J. W. Lea, F. R. Loeber, E. D. Martinez, C. L. Mounot, A. G. Romain, A. R. Trahan, P. A. Thibaut, P. L. Thibaut, J. F. Vergez, H. Watkins.

OMEGA CHAPTER.—E. Paxton.

PRESS NOTICES.

CONVENTION OF THE LOUISIANA STATE ASSOCIATION.

The fourth annual convention of the Louisiana State Association of the *K Σ* Fraternity opened yesterday at the Hotel Royal, with President A. H. Gay, Jr., in the chair, and forty-seven delegates present. The State Association is composed of the Alumni members of the Fraternity throughout the State, and all the names borne upon the active Chapters. Louisiana boasts of three Chapters, one at Centenary College at Jackson, La., another at the State University at Baton Rouge, and the third at the Tulane University of this city. The first two mentioned Chapters have been in existence for some years, but the local one dates back only a short while. It is nevertheless one of the strongest in the State, and ranks among the foremost at the Tulane University. As for the State Association, it was organized in April, 1890, at Baton Rouge. At the time it was considered that something was necessary to bind the various Chapters together, and the proposition was made to form an association, in which all conflicting interests could be reconciled. The suggestion met with favor, the result being the

issuance of a call for the Baton Rouge meeting. This was largely attended, and here organization was perfected.

Mr. C. S. E. Babington, of Washington Parish, was elected the first President of the organization. Since then conventions have been held in Jackson, again in Baton Rouge and the last in New Orleans. Yesterday's Convention opened at 10 A. M. with prayer, after which J. O. Daspit, of the Sigma Chapter, Tulane University, delivered the address of welcome. Mr. E. L. Lewis, of Epsilon, Centenary College, responded on behalf of the delegates.

The business before the house was then taken up.

President Gay submitted his annual report. The report dwelt upon the condition of the Association, its increased membership, and general success. The reports of the other officers were also submitted, all showing the organization to be both numerically and financially strong.

A number of the propositions looking to the advancement of the Order in Louisiana, among them one for purpose of providing a fund to be known as the "educational fund." The proposition is that the various Chapters be assessed a certain sum, all to go toward a fund for the purpose of assisting members in necessitous circumstances in securing a proper education; the amount thus loaned to be refunded after the beneficiary has completed his studies and embarked in business. The proposition met with great favor among the delegates, and a committee was appointed for the purpose of devising ways and means looking to its consummation.

Another question of interest discussed by the Convention was the proposed erection of a Chapter-hall in this city. Inasmuch as the Tulane University had decided to remove from its present quarters to the upper district, it was suggested that permission might be secured from the University to erect on the grounds a handsome structure to be used as a Chapter-house for Sigma Chapter and a meeting-place for *K Σ's* in general. This proposition also met with favor, and the matter was referred to a committee clothed with full power to act.

The question of assisting the Supreme Executive Com-

mittee getting up an exhibition at the World's Fair was discussed at length, and it was decided that the Convention officers immediately place themselves in correspondence with the supreme officers to inquire as to what was expected of Louisiana, and give all possible assistance in having a creditable display in connection with other Greek-letter Fraternities.

On motion it was decided that an attempt be made to publish a monthly journal devoted to the interests of the Association. This about completed the work before the Association, and then President Gay introduced Mr. Wm. C. Dufour as the orator of the day. Mr. Dufour delivered an elaborate address upon the Order and its hopes, giving a complete history of its foundation, the reasons that led thereto, and the good that would result from the application of its principles. The speaker dwelt upon the necessity for awakening a proper spirit among the Alumni, and closed with an appeal to the members to lend their presence at Chapter and Association meetings whenever possible.

Mr. Armand G. Romain was the next speaker, and addressed the Convention on behalf of the Alumni. Mr. Romain's effort was brilliant and eloquent, and won much applause.

At the afternoon session the election of officers resulted as follows: Dr. John Ellis, of Jackson, La., President; John T. Verges, of New Orleans, Vice-President; Prof. T. H. Atkinson, of Baton Rouge, Secretary; F. J. Perkins, of Jackson, La., Treasurer; Joseph O. Daspit, of Houma, La., Annual Orator.

When the Convention assembled last night only routine business was transacted, after which an adjournment was taken, and the Convention repaired to Antoine's restaurant to participate in the annual banquet. The affair was a success in every sense of the word, and reflected credit upon the following gentlemen, who constituted the Committee of Arrangements: Edward Pierson, Chairman; Joseph O. Daspit, E. D. Martinez, and P. Arthur Thibaut, all of Sigma Chapter.

The following young gentlemen constituted the Reception Committee: C. L. Monnot, Chairman; R. D. Sanders, J. J. Bayle, Elmore G. Dufour, and Ed. Pierson.

In addition to the regular delegates the following guests were present: P. M. Milner, of the ΣX Fraternity; Wm. Von Phul, of the $K A$; Ivy G. Kittridge, of the $A T A$; G. Hamilton Tebault, of the $\Phi A \theta$; Frank N. Butler, of the $A T Q$.

Baton Rouge has been selected as the next place of meeting.
—*New Orleans Delta*.

MEETING OF THE STATE ASSOCIATION AND THE ANNUAL BANQUET.

The State Association of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity is composed of alumni members of the Fraternity throughout the State, and their annual Convention was held yesterday at the Hotel Royal.

President A. H. Gay occupied the chair, and forty-seven delegates were present from the three Chapters, which are located in the Centenary College, Jackson, La., the State University, Baton Rouge, La., and in Tulane University.

When the Convention met at 10 A. M., a prayer was offered, after which Mr. J. O. Daspit, of Sigma Chapter, Tulane University, made an address of welcome.

On behalf of the delegates, Mr. E. L. Lewis, of Epsilon, Centenary College, responded.

The annual banquet took place last night at Antoine's restaurant, and the Kappa Sigma Fraternity outdid all previous efforts in this direction.

About 9 o'clock the members of the Fraternity and their guests assembled in parlor B of the Hotel Royal and after a short time spent in conversation, adjourned to Antoine's.

There, after a short address of welcome by Toast-master Roy O. Young, the members and visitors fell to with a hearty good will, and full justice was done to the supper.

Amid the popping of champagne corks, Toast-master Young arose to announce the first toast.

Mr. P. A. Thibaut responded for the Sigma Chapter. Mr. Thibaut is a most enthusiastic Greek, and the editor of the official journal of the Fraternities. In the course of his remarks,

he reviewed the history of the Sigma Chapter from its foundation in 1884 to the present time. The Chapter during that time made a creditable record, and had taken a leading part among the Fraternities of the country.

Mr. A. Von Phul, of Tulane University, responded on behalf of the Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

Mr. Milner spoke for the Sigma Chi Fraternity and made a witty little speech when called on to respond for the press.

President A. H. Gay, of the Louisiana State Association, responded on behalf of that body.

Mr. Milner spoke for the Sigma Chi Fraternity, and then the various members and guests were called on for expressions. It was a late hour when the banqueters ceased their revels, and the occasion was a fitting wind-up of the Fourth State Convention.

Among those present at the banquet last night were noticed :

SIGMA CHAPTER.—Dr. J. W. Lea, Jackson, La. ; J. G. Vergez, J. J. Bayle, New Orleans ; J. O. Daspit, Houma, La. ; C. L. Monnot, Jeanerette, La. ; J. R. Buchanan, P. L. Thibaut, New Orleans ; H. Watkins, Hayes, Miss. ; J. B. Barksdale, Ruston, La. ; P. A. Thibaut, E. D. Martinez, A. G. Romain, F. R. Loeber, New Orleans ; A. R. Trahan, Lafayette, La. ; C. A. Thiel (Γ), V. L. Roy (Γ) New Orleans ; F. E. Maguire (Γ), Lake Providence, La.

EPSILON CHAPTER.—L. M. Keller, Jackson, La. ; R. S. Ellis, New Orleans ; J. A. Wise, Hazelhurst, Miss. ; V. Kirkland, Brusley Landing, La. ; J. W. Lewis, G. G. Keller, Dr. George H. Jones, A. S. Tomb, Jackson, La. ; Dr. John H. Ellis, Kentwood, La. ; S. B. Bell, Crystal Springs, Miss. ; Ben Kernan, New Orleans.

SIGMA CHAPTER.—Wm. C. Dufour, E. G. Dufour, A. G. Dufour, New Orleans.

PHI CHAPTER.—A. H. Gay, Jr., Plaquemine, La.

BETA CHAPTER.—Edward Pierson, Coushatta, La. ; Edgar Cole, Shreveport, La.

ZETA CHAPTER.—R. D. Sanders, Wytheville, Va.

OMEGA CHAPTER.—E. Paxton, Arcola, Miss.

GAMMA CHAPTER.—R. O. Young, Youngsville, La.; C. A. Schreiber, New Orleans; A. J. Price, Gibson City, La.; Geo. E. Williams, Amite City, La.; H. E. Cockerham, St. Maurice, La.; G. J. Lyons, New York city; F. E. Girard, Lafayette, La.; W. J. Lewis, W. A. Schæffer, T. W. Atkinson, Baton Rouge, La.

EPSILON CHAPTER.—P. W. Brown, Amite City, La.; S. M. Collins, Indian Village, La.; G. J. Woodside, Clinton, La.; W. D. Wall, Jackson, La.; O. H. Swayze, H. Y. Swayze, Yazoo City, Miss.

The officers elected for the ensuing year were: Dr. John Ellis, of Jackson, La., President; J. F. Vergez, of New Orleans, Vice President; T. W. Atkinson, of Baton Rouge, Secretary; and Dr. T. J. Perkins, of Jackson, La., Treasurer.—*New Orleans Picayune*.

FOURTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE KAPPA SIGMA FRATERNITY.

The Fourth Annual Convention of the Louisiana State Association of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity was held yesterday at the Hotel Royal. There were forty-seven delegates present. President A. H. Gay took the chair. There are three Chapters of the Fraternity in the State, which were represented in the Convention, one at Centenary College, at Jackson, La.; another at the State University at Baton Rouge, and the third at the Tulane University. The State Association is a link to bind the various Chapters together, and was organized in April, 1890, at Baton Rouge.

This is the fourth meeting of the Convention, and is one of the most successful ever held. It opened at 10 A. M. yesterday with a prayer, after which Mr. J. O. Daspit, of the Sigma Chapter, delivered an address of welcome, and Mr. E. L. Lewis, of Epsilon Chapter, responded on behalf of the delegates.

A committee was appointed to devise ways and means to provide for a fund, to be known as the "Educational Fund." Another question fully discussed was the erection of a Chapter hall in this city. This matter also was referred to a committee.

The question of making a proper exhibit at the World's Fair was discussed, and it was the sentiment of the meeting that Louisiana give all the assistance in her power to the forwarding of the interests of the Fraternity in the exhibition. It was also decided that an attempt be made to publish a monthly journal, to be devoted to the interests of the Association in the State.

Mr. William C. Dufour, the orator of the day, delivered an elaborate address upon the Fraternity, its hopes, history, foundation, and principles. Mr. Arnaud G. Romain was the next speaker, and he addressed the Convention on behalf of the Alumni.

THE BANQUET.

It was a splendid climax to the day's proceedings in the Convention. Beside the regular members present there were members from the various Fraternities—the *A T Q*, the *K A*, the *Σ X*, and others. The toast-master was Mr. Roy O. Young, and he made a very genial and happy chairman. He introduced the several speakers with humor and grace. The first toast of the evening was to the Sigma Chapter of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity, responded to by Mr. P. A. Thibaut. His speech was a very pleasant one, in which he spoke of the foundation of his Chapter, and, among other things, said that he did not want the morning papers to say that what he said was a "pet saying." Mr. Von Phul was then called on in behalf of the Kappa Alpha Fraternity, of which he was the representative member, and he extended hearty congratulations to the *K Σ* on behalf of his Chapter on their late progress and prosperity.

The press was then called upon, and Messrs. Rivers and Dufour responded. Mr. A. H. Gay, the ex-President of the State Convention, was then called upon to respond to the toast to the State Association, and Mr. Miller was called on to respond to *Σ X*. His response was a fluent and easy address on the connection of those Fraternities in the past. There were many more impromptu toasts, and between the brotherly love and the Perrier Jouet there was that feeling of congeniality and friendship that defies description.—*New Orleans Times-Democrat*.

THE FOUNDING OF ALPHA-LAMBDA.

BY J. S. FERGUSON, M. D. (Ψ).

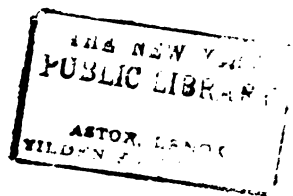
IT is with a deep sense of pleasure that I stop, amid the bustle and rush of a busy New York life, to chronicle the establishment of a daughter of $K \Sigma$, so sturdy and healthy as our newly-formed Alpha-Lambda Chapter.

No one but a thoroughly enthused Fraternity man can appreciate the pleasure with which, on the 13th of February last, I received and read a note from Bro. Charles P. Kittredge, (Ψ), asking me to meet him in Burlington during that week for the purpose of founding Alpha-Lambda Chapter of $K \Sigma$ at the University of Vermont. I immediately telegraphed him a favorable reply, and the morning of Wednesday, February 15th, found me *en route* for Burlington. Through an unavoidable error in railway connections I failed to reach Burlington that night, but at 11 o'clock Thursday morning I arrived at my destination, and was met by Bro. Kittredge with several of the future members of Alpha-Lambda. We proceeded at once to the hotel where plans were laid for the afternoon's work.

Bro. Kittredge had already attended to most of the preliminary arrangements, and I found everything in readiness for action as soon as we had satisfactorily appeased the "longings of the inner man," which, to me, had become very appreciable after my morning ride.

After dinner, then, being aware that the safest time for travelers on the road to Bologna was beneath the resplendent rays of the midday sun, and that the hours of danger from "tyrants, such as Cossa" was fast approaching, I advised early attention to our work, and we started out at once with a full appreciation of the responsibility we had undertaken, but probably the effects of the healthy Vermont air and of a good and substantial New England dinner, feeling ourselves well prepared to conduct the wayfarers through all the dangers which we were aware were so soon to beset them on their way to the "City of Letters."

Feeling that in after years we should like to see ourselves





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now, and, in that memorable pilgrimage, and in the memories left to us, finds all its pleasures and its dangers, our steps were first directed to the rooms of our fiend, the photographer. There were only the fifteen students who were soon in a confusion of faces, but of a varying cast.

We examined the photograph which has been reproduced in present number of *THE CADUCEUS* in connection with the death of the Chapter.

A school-bell had already been rung, so that our work, and these rooms we now occupied. The necessary paraphernalia having been provided, Bro. Knowledge and myself proceeded to sit within the § * * § fifteen student manual dormitory, one the charter members of *Alphacanthos*. It is scarcely necessary to say that by the time all had been safely gripped within the walls of the Anchor City, the setting sun had disappeared beneath the western horizon, but not until Cressa had had been once more robbed of touch, and the name and life of Chrysalion had been perpetuated in the hearts of fifteen earnest, active Knights of the Swan and Crescent by the solemn regulations of K. S.'s rights.

At nine o'clock in the evening I was on my way to New York, my mind filled with the memories of one of the pleasantest days of my life. It was certainly a day which will live long in the brightest recesses of my memory. Let us all be extending the cordial hand of brotherly love to those who were within the circle of our Order.

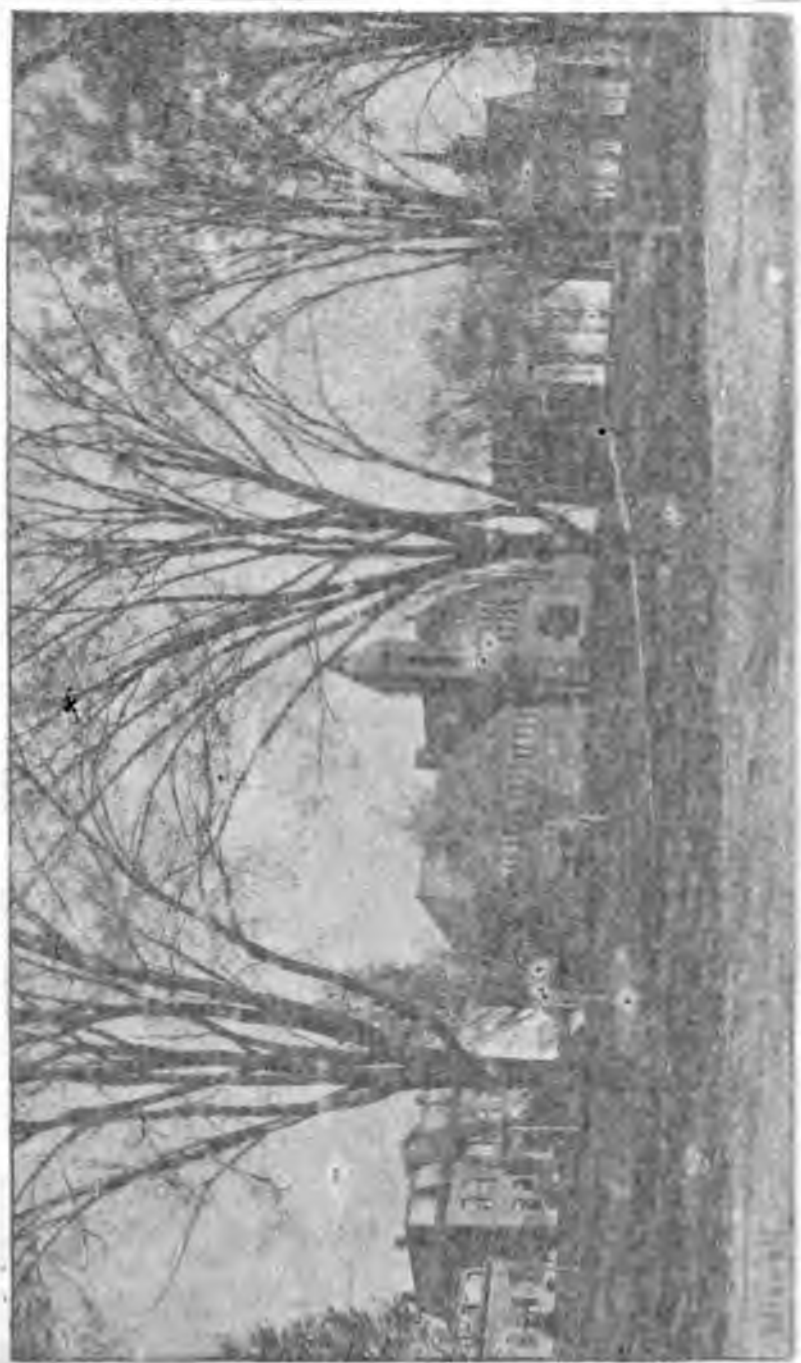
We shall look to them for a brilliant future, for a high great achievement in the Greek world, and I believe that we are potent to fulfill our most sanguine expectations.

THE UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

BY C. G. ANDREWS, '01.

NINETY-THREE years ago the University of Vermont admitted its first students, and eighty-nine years ago it graduated its first class of four young men.

The general catalogue shows that the college building was used as barracks for United States soldiers during the war of



THE CHURCH AND THE HOUSE

as we started on that memorable pilgrimage, and once more recall to our minds all its pleasures and its dangers, our steps were first directed to the rooms of our friend, the photographer. Here we found the fifteen students who were soon to constitute Alpha-Lambda awaiting us.

We obtained the photograph which has been reproduced in the present number of THE CADUCEUS in connection with the first letter from the Chapter.

A suitable hall had already been engaged for our work, and to these rooms we now repaired. The necessary paraphernalia having been provided, Bro. Kittredge and myself proceeded to usher within the * * * * * fifteen stalwart men, of whom fourteen were the charter members of Alpha-Lambda. It is scarcely necessary to say that by the time all had been safely guided within the walls of the Ancient City, the setting sun had disappeared beneath the western horizon, but not until Cossa's band had been once more robbed of their prey, and the name and fame of Chrysoloras had been perpetuated in the hearts of fifteen earnest, active Knights of the Star and Crescent by the solemn obligations of *K Σ*'s rights.

At nine o'clock in the evening I was on my way to New York, my mind filled with the memories of one of the pleasantest days of my life. It was certainly a day which will linger long in the brightest recesses of my memory. Let us all unite in extending the cordial hand of brotherly love to these newcomers within the circle of our Order.

We shall look to them for a brilliant future, filled with great achievement in the Greek world, but I feel them competent to fulfill our most sanguine expectations.

THE UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

BY C. G. ANDREWS (*A-A*).

NINETY-THREE years ago the University of Vermont admitted its first students, and eighty-nine years ago graduated its first class of four young men.

The general catalogue shows that the college building was used as barracks for United States soldiers during the academ-

ical year 1814-15, and all academic exercises were suspended, so there were no graduates that year. Previous to this, classes of respectable size had gone out each year—but, though instruction was resumed in 1816, it was several years before the institution recovered the degree of prosperity which it had enjoyed previous to the enforced interruption.

Passing on now to the Rebellion, we find that the institution again suffered temporarily, both in revenues and in numbers, and it again took a long time for it to fully recover, but the universal rule "to him that hath shall be given" operated here as elsewhere.

The classes were for a time so small as to cease to be attractive to young men, and not a few went outside the State to pursue their college course. But soon there was a turning of the tide, and a strong reaction followed, and from that time till now there has been a steady increase in the college roll.

The latest catalogue shows a total of 448 students in the three departments—Academic, Medical, and Agricultural. Under the general head of Academic Department are five sub-departments—Classical, Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Civil Engineering, and Chemistry.

The Medical Department of the University of Vermont was chartered by the State in 1823. It was reorganized in 1854. The institution is consequently one of the oldest medical colleges of the United States.

Never in the history of the institution were its prospects so bright as to-day. Its increased funds, new and remodelled buildings, and varied practical courses of study enable it to offer greater inducements than ever to those seeking a liberal education.

The old-fashioned college curriculum has been remodelled here as elsewhere by the introduction of the sciences and more of the important modern languages. It is up to the times in teaching more of the practical side of life.

We believe that with the present corps of professors and instructors, each of no small prominence in his special department, the University of Vermont need not fear comparison

with other like institutions in respect to the amount and quality of training it affords its students.

In addition to the usual college curriculum, all male students in the Academical and Agricultural Departments are required to take part in military drill, an officer of the United States Army being stationed here as Professor of Military Science and Tactics. The United States Government furnishes Springfield rifles with all equipments for military practice. In the winter a course of gallery practice is pursued.

The location of the University is everything to be desired; its natural outlook is beautiful to the extreme, having all the variations common to Vermont scenery. Its site is on an eminence overlooking the beautiful "Queen City" of Vermont—Burlington. Toward the west "Lovely Lake Champlain," and still farther the long range of the picturesque Adirondacks marks the boundary of the human vision. To the east is a broad expanse of verdant meadow-land, with here and there a valley, and far in the distance may be seen Camel's Hump and Mt. Mansfield, and the whole unbroken chain of the Green Mountains so far as the eye can reach.

So much for the natural beauty, now go with me to look over and realize some of the enjoyments and blessings brought to us through private munificence.

We have a library worthy the pride of every Vermont student; it is called "The Billings Library," receiving its name from the donor, Hon. Frederick Billings, an alumnus of the institution. The library edifice is acknowledged by all to be one of the finest representations of Romanesque architecture in the country, its effects both in detail and in general harmony is that of a perfect work of art. From corner-stone to cap-stone it breathes the same spirit—simplicity of expression combined with a lofty idealism in design.

The stone of which the library is built—the soft-colored and beautiful Long Meadows sandstone—embodies and sets forth well the harmonious designs of the architect.

The extreme length of the library is 166 feet 10 inches, and extreme depth 67 feet. The total cost of the edifice was

upwards of \$150,000, and has a shelving capacity of 100,000 volumes. It at present contains only about 45,000, but with recent bequests several thousand of carefully chosen volumes are being added.

Another friend of the institution is found in Mr. John H. Converse, of Philadelphia, especially in connection with the new building for the applied sciences of Electrical and Mechanical Engineering.

This year two more buildings are to be constructed, largely through the generosity of Mr. Converse. Another scientific building beautifully fitted up for the Chemical and Natural Science Departments, and another large dormitory.

The Fraternity spirit is quite strong with us, but still there is a sort of feeling of brotherhood between the men and all the Fraternities.

There are the following Greek-letter societies:

$\Phi \Lambda \Theta$, $\Sigma \Phi$, $\Lambda \Gamma$ (local), $\Lambda \Psi$ (local), $\Lambda \tau \Omega$, $\Lambda \Lambda \Lambda$, $K \Lambda \Theta$, $\Phi B K$, ΛM (Med.), and last, but not least, $K \Sigma$.

As yet no society here has a Chapter-house, and for that reason we are on more equal grounds than if there was that special attraction against us.

We hope to get in a Chapter-house, and would like to have the first one here owned and managed by $K \Sigma$.

We have a large and flourishing Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A., and in general the Christian spirit prevails among our students. For this reason we claim that there is a higher moral tone than is prevalent in most colleges.

We would hardly do justice to the University without mentioning in glowing terms the several organizations which bring our students before the public, as college organizations, namely, our Glee and Banjo Club, Concert Club, and base-ball team.

The Glee and Banjo Club has a history of three years, and it has gained in popularity each succeeding season.

One of the features of this season in the concert line were two joint concerts with the McGill University of Montreal, the first being given at Montreal and the second at Burlington.

The Concert Club is on a smaller scale, made up from the Glee and Banjo Club, and has given several concerts in smaller towns with great success.

The University of Vermont Base-ball team has certainly distinguished itself in the past two base-ball seasons. Last season was an especially prosperous one for us, and many fresh laurels were won by the "green and yellow." Especially would we refer to the Wesleyan, Brown, and Yale games, in which the University of Vermont came off victorious by the following scores respectively : 7-6, 4-1, 8-1.

We would hardly feel justified in closing without giving mention of some of the Alumni of the University who have come into prominence in their public services. Of those who have been presidents or professors in other colleges we would name Marsh and Herrick, of Pacific University; Williams, Wead, Kent, Wells, and Dennison, of Michigan University; Peabody, of Illinois Industrial University; Allen, of University of Pennsylvania, Tuttle, of Cornell, Woodruff, of Andover, and others, would space permit.

Let us mention a few names in journalism made prominent :

Henry J. Raymond, who founded the *New York Times*; James R. Spaulding, who created the *New York World*; Alexander Mann, who made the *Rochester American* a great power; and I will mention but one other—Dr. Gilbert—who won for himself a good report in the management of the *Chicago Advance*.

From the list of preachers and theologians gone out from its walls I will mention a few :

Dr. Shedd, of Union Theological Seminary; Dr. Clark, of H. B. C. F. M.; Dr. Goodell, of St. Louis; Dr. Spaulding, of Manchester, N. H.; Dr. Cutting, of Worcester, Mass.; Dr. Dwinell, of California; Dr. J. H. Hopkins, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Bishops Bissell, of Vermont, and Howe, of South Carolina.

There are at present two Alumni Associations, one at New York city and the New England Alumni Association at Boston.

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It is expected, in the near future, that a similar organization will be founded at Chicago.

Thus it is that the graduates hold dear their *Alma Mater*, and long may she live, putting forth, each year, as in the past, men and women worthy of the honor of being numbered among the Alumni of the University of Vermont.

FIRST ANNUAL BANQUET OF ALPHA-IOTA CHAPTER.

Correspondence *Knoxville Journal*.

ATHENS has long been favored as an educational centre and for the culture and refinement that is attached to the name, and really does exist in such university town as Athens, but last night all previous endeavors in society in the University was eclipsed by the banquet given at the Euclid hotel by the gentlemen of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity to their special lady friends.

The day had put an end to the mental strain occasioned by the examinations in college during the week which completed the work of the winter term, and so casting aside the fatigues of mind and body, caused by constant battling, the ardent spirits of the Greek boys revived and found expression in the most successful social features that has ever distinguished "frat." or "barb." in classic Athens.

The Fraternity Chapter, though an infant in age, proved itself worthy of the highest attributes of manhood by the ease, grace, and propriety that characterized every exercise of the evening.

It was feared that the inclemency of the weather would largely interfere with the success of the banquet, but the enthusiasm and good-will of the knights of the "Star and Crescent" overcame all obstacles, and nothing was allowed to mar the pleasure of the evening in the least. The hotel parlors were specially prepared for the occasion, and everything was artistically arranged as would appeal to the sense of beauty of the Grecian mind. The programmes for the evening were neatly

designed, while the maroon, blue, and old gold shone conspicuously everywhere. In due time the guests were escorted to the dining parlors, where a modest but appropriate menu was served and dispatched.

When fruit and cream were being fated to their final doom, the toast-master of the evening, William Radebaugh, in a few well-chosen words, introduced L. W. Cass as the first speaker of the evening, who responded to the toast "Why We Meet" in a very able and direct manner, receiving for himself the first applause of the evening.

J. R. Westbrook then in a convincing and well-toned delivery responded to "Fraternity Life."

The party was then introduced to "Our Goat" by a speech from H. O. Eckel, sparkling with merriment and brimful of fun, adding by the laughter that followed the best of all desserts for the amelioration of the gastronomical apparatus.

J. C. Zeller responded to a toast on "The Two Worlds." He pictured the life of the Fraternity and sorosis and how both working together produced our highest type of manhood and womanhood. Once more in the parlors and reception rooms, the following programme was carried through:

Conversational—Music, chestnuts, novels, "Hoi Poiloi," big fools and little men.

At a late hour when the gods and muses seemed to feel that their cup of bliss had overflowed, the Greeks dispersed from their royal banquet with the firm conviction of having spent the most pleasant and instructive evening of their lives.

The following are the gentlemen and ladies that graced the occasion: William Radebaugh and Miss Theda Cobleigh, J. C. Zeller and Miss Addie Henderson, J. R. Westbrook and Miss Nellie Ulrey, H. O. Eckel and Miss Lillie Rutherford, Alvis Craig and Miss Della Morgan, S. S. Hassler and Miss Maggie Gettys, S. E. Miller and Miss Loula Magill, L. W. Cass and Miss Belle Bailey, W. C. Bess and Miss Lillie Gettys, and J. E. Chappell and Miss Genevieve Harrison.

It was regretted that J. J. Pritchett, President of the Hiwassee College, an eminent $K \Sigma$, could not be present.

EDITORIALS.

With this number we herald another addition to the number of Chapters. Again we have entered another Northern institution of learning and added another link to the chain that will bind together North and South. To our new brothers of Alpha-Lambda THE CADUCEUS extends the warmest of greetings, and we would offer a few words of advice and counsel that all the Chapters might take to heart. Be not weary in well doing ; strive always for what is best, keep your record clean, be conservative and careful, and your success is assured. Be most careful as regards members. Ask no man to wear the Christian star and Moslem crescent whom you could not take into society, into your own home. Let your choice be of men with brains, with wit, men of social graces and accomplishments, men of integrity and worth, men who can make their fellow-men happier and better. Lion hunting is foolish and dangerous in Chapter work. A great athlete, lacking in brains or social graces, will do the Fraternity no honor in later years ; the hard working grind may be of intellectual worth but so lacking in brotherly spirit as to be the cause of dissension in a Chapter. Choose for brothers gentleman and scholars, *bon comrades*.

It seems to be impossible to impress upon the active members—or upon K Σ 's in general—that a creditable magazine cannot be published without the co-operation of every one. It seems impossible to get contributions from the Chapters in regard to Fraternity matters—except on one subject—and that is the delay or non-receipt of THE CADUCEUS. On this one subject the Chapter correspondent waxeth eloquent, the chronic kicker who, perchance, has paid his subscription to the magazine, owing to the new ruling in regard to dues, sees a chance to get in a word, and wants his money back ; the Chapter, deeply in debt to the W. G. T., kicks because only ten copies were

received instead of fifteen, the total number of members in the Chapter, when perhaps only five have paid up; and the editor can only whittle his blue pencil and smoke his pipe, and wonder why these same correspondents cannot be eloquent on some other subject that would help the magazine along and increase its circulation. With one or two exceptions, no Fraternity magazine comes out on time. THE CADUCEUS hopes soon to be one of the exceptions. With the help of the Chapter correspondents, the May number will be out on time, and with an article from each chronic fault-finder will no doubt be a phenomenal issue.

We are glad to note the success of the Louisiana State Association, and hope that Chapters in the different States will organize and form similar associations. By such means the Chapters are drawn more closely together, the circle of acquaintance among the brothers increased, and *K Σ* benefited in every way.

CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

EPSILON.

CENTENARY COLLEGE, JACKSON, LA.

It is with a certain degree of reticence that I write this letter, little knowing what its fate might be, for since the beginning of our collegiate duties this session we have received but one CADUCEUS, that being the September number. We would as yet be in utter ignorance of the proceedings of the Conclave had it not been for the kindness of Bro. Farr. Epsilon feels somewhat hurt over thus being neglected, and thinks that she deserves more attention by virtue of her strict and ready compliance with the requirements made by the officials of the Fraternity. With alacrity has she responded to the calls of the G. T., even though it required a mighty effort. We even denied ourselves the pleasure of sending a representative to the Conclave, in order that we might liquidate the claims sent in by the G. T. To give you an adequate idea of what our disbursements have amounted to, will say that we have expended upwards of \$200 since September. But far be it from me to say anything disparaging of our over-worked editor. We would only ask that THE CADUCEUS, the advent of which we look forward to with so much pleasure, be sent more promptly.

The fourth annual Convention of the Louisiana κ Σ 's convened in New Orleans on the 24th and 25th of this month, and it is needless for me to say that it was preeminently a successful one. On the evening of the 24th we assembled in the cozy and snugly-fitted hall of the Σ men, which evening was spent in arranging the preliminaries for the Convention proper of the preceding day, after which we adjourned to while away the remaining hours of the evening at the theatre. On the morning of the 25th we repaired to the Hotel Royal, where more commodious quarters had been secured.

We remained in session all day, giving a recess for dinner. Many important moves were decided upon and referred to committees for execution. As is generally the custom on such occasions, a sumptuous and magnificent banquet was spread at one of the most fashionable cafés in the city. Short seemed the hours spent at the festal board, and with much regret did we separate from so many noble knights of the Star and Crescent. Many and eloquent were the speeches and toasts made by our Fraternity men and representatives of others present. In fact, everything passed off in true *K Σ* style. No hilarity or over-exuberance that is generally so characteristic of such occasions were indulged in. We can but exclaim with true admiration that the Convention was an unprecedented success, and could inspiration and enthusiasm be imbibed from the fount of past successes, great will be the achievements of those to follow.

Old Epsilon is moving on in the even tenor of her way, with nothing to mar her onward progress. Present prospects denote future honors in store for her sons. But, to give you a more adequate idea, will say that out of the six orators selected to represent the Societies in the medal contest three are from our Fraternity. The Sophomore Greek medal is ours. The Junior scholarship medal we feel sure of. Also salutatory and other minor ones. But I will no longer tire you with my egotistical expressions, and will say in conclusion that Epsilon sends greeting to all, and wishes them the prosperity that she now enjoys.

Very fraternally yours,

J. WILKERSON LEWIS.

THETA.

CUMBERLAND UNIVERSITY, LEBANON, TENN.

Nothing very startling has happened here, I believe, since my last letter, to write you of, unless I mention the weather, which is a cold subject to treat with any feeling, so I will refrain. Our school life here is quiet—which you will agree is “a good thing”—unfrequented by the violent, and verily if Atlas, weary of his burden, should shift the old world to the other

shoulder, slightly stirred up perhaps we would be, soon to be precipitated, however, in our accustomed ruts.

We have initiated no "blind students" this term, because of ineligibility, and having lost none by graduation we still number the same.

The Fraternity spirit is not at all rife in Cumberland this year; less interest seems to be taken than usual, but I can say truly that where there is a $K \Sigma$ there is a warm and brotherly heart, which feeling ("brotherly," I mean) is not strictly confined to brethren, but is sometimes discovered toward the other sex. This accounts for the promulgation of the Star and Crescent among so many pretty girls.

All of our sister Chapters will regret to learn of the serious illness of Bro. Farr, W. G. M. C., who has been confined to his bed for some time with pneumonia. He is improved at this writing, and we trust will, in a few weeks, be able to resume his quondam duties.

Base-ball season will soon be here, and at the first chirp of the "blue-jay" the "crank's" mouth will begin to water.

Theta will be represented, as usual, in the University team.

All's told, so I will close.

Faternally yours,

CALE RICE.

FEBRUARY 10th, 1893.

IOTA.

SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, GEORGETOWN, TEX.

The interval between this and our last letter probably marks a period of the most successful work within the history of our Chapter. We have led across the "Rustic Foot-bridge," and linked to our golden chain of brotherhood three of the most worthy students of the Southwestern University. These we introduce to you as Bros. Evans, Ford, and Cocke. We are sorry to state that Bro. Evans was with us but a few weeks, being called away to fill a worthy position in the Uvalde High School. Yet for the short period he was with us he showed a great interest in $K \Sigma$ and learned to love the noble Order. As

a student, he left behind him a record that is equaled by few. We can reconcile ourselves to such a loss only in the fact that he will be with us again next year.

Bros. Ford and Cocke rank not inferior to Bro. Evans in scholarship, being honored with first position in nearly all their classes. They are not only students, but boys of high social standing among their fellow-students, possessing that happy disposition which readily gains the friendship of those with whom they are thrown in contact. They are men in whom *K Σ* will be honored before as well as after their departure from the "classic shades" of college life.

Bro. Slaughter, one of our old initiates, has left school and is now at his home near Austin. Bro. Slaughter represented us in the intermediate debate of last December. Although he did not win the question, he acquitted himself in such a way that we were made to feel proud of him. He made a noble effort and his speech was complimented by every one that heard it.

We were pleased to have with us at our last meeting Bro. Moore, of Tau Chapter. The correspondent has never had the pleasure of meeting many of *T*'s men; but if she is composed of men like the few he has met, he truly congratulates her.

Most of our present members will be back next year, and by adding to these our share of the new men, as we have luckily done this year, we hope to have the strongest Fraternity here.

At our last meeting the following brothers were elected as officers: Bro. Handy, G. M.; Bro. Cocke, G. M. C.; Bro. Ford, G. P.; Bro. Breneke, G. S.; Bros. Bishop and Hollman, Guards.

Yours fraternally,

OTIS TRULOVE.

PI.

SWARTHMORE COLLEGE, SWARTHMORE, PA.

There has been nothing very exciting in Fraternity life at Swarthmore since our last letter. We have no new initiates to report.

Bro. Hodge has been very ill most of the time since

Christmas. He is now at his home in Washington recuperating. He will remain there until after the inauguration. The Chapter has lately received the new charter, and it is pronounced by all the brothers as being the finest design that they have ever seen. It certainly reflects great credit on the designers. The scheme of having uniformity in this regard is certainly a good one, and we sincerely hope that all the Chapters will see that it is carried out.

Bro. Hart has left college, and will devote his entire attention to his clerical profession. We are indeed sorry to lose so good a brother from our midst, but we know that he will always be an honor to the Star and Crescent wherever he may go. In the recent debate between the Delphic and Eunomian Literary Societies he won first place, and would be one of the debaters against Franklin and Marshall if he were still at college.

Pi Chapter will hold her annual banquet at the Hotel Bellevue, April 8th. We have decided to make it a modest Chapter banquet, and have all the old members back.

We have recently had short visits from Bros. Carr, Warner, Hibbert, and Speakman. We are always glad to welcome back our old members.

Preliminary training for track athletics has already begun, but our showing for the present is not as promising as it has been for past years. Our base-ball team will probably be the best that Swarthmore has put out for some time. Bro. Brooks will, in all probability, be placed in the box, which position he has held for the past three years.

Yours fraternally,

A. E. BLACKBURN.

FEBRUARY 27th, 1893.

UPSILON.

HAMPDEN-SIDNEY COLLEGE, HAMPDEN-SIDNEY, VA.

We are exceedingly sorry that we have had no letter in THE CADUCEUS this session; but from now forward we hope to be regularly in our place. Old Upsilon is still "holding her own." Through the faithful work of the old men who returned, and

the good judgment of the new men we succeeded in initiating six of the finest men in college. The following are men who make true and loyal brothers and will do honor to $K \Sigma$: Bros. W. P. McGavoch, of Wythe Co., Va.; A. M. Fauntleroy, of Staunton, Va.; R. B. Baptist, of Covington, Tenn.; R. Fleming, of Richmond, Va.; J. P. Sheffey, of Marion, Va., and your humble servant, of Norfolk, Va.

We are represented in the Glee Club by Bros. R. Fleming, Lewis Fleming, and McGavoch.

Your correspondent had the honor of being captain of the foot-ball team and marshal for Intermediate celebration conferred upon him. Below we give data of the Fraternities here:

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Yours fraternally,

WM. BULL.

FEBRUARY 18th, 1893.

PHI.

SOUTHWESTERN PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY, CLARKSVILLE,
TENN.

Nothing of special interest has transpired since our last letter to THE CADUCEUS, to break the monotony of S. W. P. U. except intermediate examinations. They, however, passed off tranquilly and, we hope, with few "flats."

Spring will soon be here again. Soon will the merry shout of the college student be heard as he goes joyously afield with ball and bat. Students of S. W. P. U. seem to be taking more

interests in athletics this year than ever before, and Phi will come in, without a doubt, for her share of honors, as she has plenty of good material. Although the ball teams have not yet been organized, I can safely say that Phi will be well represented in them.

Three of our men are in the graduating class this year—Bros. Ross, Lemley, and McLean—two of whom, Bros. Ross and Lemley, are contestants for speaker's medal.

Phi had her regular election of officers the first meeting in March, which resulted as follows: E. H. Magruder, G. M.; J. H. McLean, G. M. C.; W. S. Lemley, G. T.; N. Stewart, G. S.; C. D. Durrett, G. P.; F. J. Love and T. M. Daniel, Guards; M. G. Lyle, Correspondent to THE CADUCEUS. Bro. Lemley was also chosen as Chapter Historian, and Bro. Lyle as compiler of data for Catalogue.

We are very much gratified to see Chapter correspondents discharging their duties so admirably. The number of letters in the last numbers of THE CADUCEUS is quite an increase over that of the former numbers.

There is no reason on earth why we should not have a letter from each and every Chapter in every number of THE CADUCEUS. We would then be enabled to know just exactly what every Chapter might be doing.

Bro. Johnston (*K*) was among us last week. He is one of the most important personages in the Vanderbilt "Glee Club."

Bro. E. Ragsdale has gone to Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Bro. Ragsdale is a loyal *K* Σ , and our Chapter lost a good man by his removal.

With best wishes for *K* Σ 's success,

I am fraternally,

MATT. G. LYLE.

MARCH 15th, 1893.

CHI.

PURDUE UNIVERSITY, LAFAYETTE, IND.

Once more Chi extends the right hand of fellowship to our brothers in *K* Σ , and offers them a warm greeting.

Since our last letter, much has occurred with us which will be of interest to *K Σ*. In January last our able "goat" offered himself for the benefit of the following men, and made them capable of showing what they are, good and loyal *K Σ*'s: Lyndon Brown, '94, of Indianapolis, Ind.; Harry Thomas, of Richmond, Ind., '95; Clifford Whitridge, Richmond, Ind., '95, and Arthur Dill, '96, Richmond, Ind.

Bro. Dill has since left us and gone over to Champagne, Ill., where he has become a member of *A Γ*. We are sure our Sister Chapter will find in him a good *K Σ*.

On the 13th of last January Bro. Roy Walker entertained Chi Chapter in royal style at his beautiful home on Ferry Street. Dancing was introduced as the pastime, and until 2 A. M. we enjoyed that pleasure, aided by Ohlsen's music.

I take pleasure in mentioning the fact that Bro. Olin has been elected Captain of this year's base-ball team.

Owing to the fact that the building in which our rooms are situated is undergoing repairs, we have been obliged to temporarily vacate, and so are without a home for the present. We will take advantage of the occasion, however, to "clean house," and to some extent, refurnish.

The January CADUCEUS, long expected, has at last arrived, and we all devoured every page, even to the advertisements. We were much pleased to learn of the new Chapter *H'*, and wish especially to offer our warmest hopes for its success.

With best regards for all who wear the Star and Crescent.

I am, in bonds of *K Σ*,

Yours,

MARCH 11th, 1893.

W. R. ROOT,

ETA PRIME.

TRINITY COLLEGE, DURHAM, N. C.

Greeting to all within * * * * *

Eta Prime would thus renew her allegiance to *K Σ*.

Many years have passed since Trinity College could claim within her borders a host of Greeks, and we are proud that again they tread her classic and honored pathways.

On December 1st, Bro. Herbert Martin came down from Danville, and with the assistance of Bros. Morris and McDowell (*D*), ushered into the mystic Greek world the following trembling pilgrims desirous of passing to Bologna's shrine :

Frank B. Davis, Morganton, N. C. ; David A. Houston, Monroe, N. C. ; Frank J. Westbrook, Faison, N. C. ; Luther T. Hartsell, Concord, N. C. ; Sterling B. Pierce, Weldon, N. C., and your humble scribe, who hails from New Berne, N. C.

After the departure of our brothers, we began a lively work, and soon afterward John W. Daniels, of New Berne, N. C., J. W. Wordsworth, Jr., Charlotte, N. C., and Albert Bangert, New Berne, N. C., were introduced to the ferocious "billy," and I am happy to present them to all true and lawful *K Σ's*.

Trinity College of to-day is not the same as of the past. Her courses have been broadened, her standards raised, and she has pulled herself from the backwoods of Randolph County to that lively and thriving tobacco city—Durham. She has shaken herself and has added to her former theological self law, technology, economical and sociological schools, and will next fall add a medical school.

We are glad to announce that the Chapter contains the best athletic and college honor-men now among its members.

Bro. Houston is head Professor of the Commercial Department, Bro. Davis is Manager of the foot-ball team of '93, and the writer has captained the same for two years. Bro. Hartsell stands at the head of his class, was left-guard on the foot-ball team, and is a fine athlete. He has been elected chief marshal for Commencement over an *A T Q*. We also have one of the orators at the annual debate between the literary societies on April 14th, and will probably get both representatives to the State oratorical contest at Morehead City in June.

With best wishes for "Star and Crescent," I am

Yours in *K Σ*,

MARCH 27th, 1893.

T. C. DANIELS.

ALPHA-DELTA.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE, STATE COLLEGE, PA.

This is Alpha-Delta's first letter for two months, and, as usual, I have to extend an apology to the Fraternity at large and promise to do better in the future. But, although our brothers have had no tidings from us, they must not for a single moment think that we are lacking in interest and Fraternity spirit.

Since our last letter we have initiated one "barb" into the mysteries of *K Σ*. I take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity Mr. Edward Hoopes, '96, of Columbia, Pa. We also hope to introduce, in our next letter, two other men who, if they join us, will do honor to the Star and Crescent, and all pertaining to *K Σ*.

This term has been one of the most memorable in the history of P. S. C. On the 22d of February the magnificent new engineering hall was dedicated. This building was erected at a cost of \$150,000, and is one of the finest of its kind in the United States.

There has been considerable sickness in the college this term. One death occurred—Mr. J. F. Patrick, '94, a member of *Σ A E*—died on March 15th. Although Mr. Patrick entered college only last year, through his genial disposition he had become one of the most popular men in the college, and his death was deeply felt by all; and we extend to his brothers of *Σ A E* our sincere sympathies.

At the election of the *Free Lance* staff for the year '93-'94, Bro. Waite, '94, was elected Associate Editor, and, on the organization of the staff, Bro. Burton, '95, was appointed Business Manager.

Since our last letter Bro. L. L. Johnston, '96, has left college. He is now attending Peirce's Business College, at Philadelphia.

Hoping that my letter may not be too late, I am,

Faternally yours,

MARCH 18th, 1893.

DUNHAM BARTON.

ALPHA-EPSILON.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

With the advent of spring the interest of the college man becomes absorbed in athletics. Here at "Pennsy" the baseball team and crew are alike petted by their devoted admirers. To *K Σ*'s the success of the crew is of more than passing interest, as the genial Barnes, one of our most energetic Fraternity men, will stroke the eight to victory, we hope, and Waters, another *K Σ*, is No. 6 in the boat. Still, with all the enthusiasm evinced for the success of the athletes, there goes hand-in-hand the sober feeling of responsibility in the fast-approaching examinations, and, as a consequence, "boning" is just at this time predominant among all of us. This makes it hard to find any item worthy of mention in a Chapter letter.

The era of prosperity still continues with Alpha-Epsilon, and since the last letter to THE CADUCEUS three men, good and true, have been ushered within the portals of the *K Σ* world. These are: T. Frederick Watters, '94 Dent., Le Barre Jayne Leamy, '95 Med., and Wesley L. Blithe, '94 Col. These men are able students, and, above all, good fellows, and are each and all of them thoroughly imbued with the true *K Σ* spirit.

Some weeks ago Alpha-Epsilon received a letter from the Pennsylvania State College Chapter, recommending a man here in the University as a desirable person for the Fraternity. Such action cannot be too highly commended. In the freedom of intercourse and community of interest among all the Chapters lies the strength of *K Σ*. A spirit of true brotherly love that extends beyond the confines of a single Chapter is the highest embodiment of the real Fraternity man. With the college Fraternity there is wonderful force in the motto: "United we stand; divided we fall."

MARCH 21st, 1893.

J. HARRY COVINGTON.

ALPHA-THETA.

SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST UNIVERSITY, JACKSON, TENN.

Affairs at the S. W. B. U. are uninteresting enough at present, as we are now plunged into the midst of a term of hard

work, with only an occasional thought or a vague rumor of the examinations, the contests, victories, and defeats that are to be, in June. Items of Fraternity interest are, therefore, necessarily scarce, although our enthusiasm in the work is by no means waning.

Owing to the lack of desirable material, we have led no new victim through the * * * * * since the holidays, but we have not let the time go by unimproved. Our prestige in school is daily increasing. We are now looked upon as a rival very formidable, in spite of our youth.

Since September Alpha-Theta has been occupying the rooms of the Society of Elks, which is among the handsomest set of rooms in the city, and our advantage arising from this one fact is no small one. A Chapter-house of our own is a thing as yet almost too far in the future to think of. Still, we intend to make it a point always to be well housed.

Bro. Crook is now back with us after a four-months' stay with the boys of Kappa.

Bro. Campbell has been compelled to return to his home near Bolivar, Tenn. He is a young man of sterling qualities, and we hope at some date near in the future to have him again with us.

The following are our officers for the spring term: M. Holbrook, G. M.; J. L. Crook, G. M. C.; E. McFadden, G. P.; W. W. Horner, G. T.; E. W. Essary, G. S.; Hunter Wilson, Guard.

We are glad to see that THE CADUCEUS continues to maintain the same high standard of excellence. Nothing makes one feel a greater pride in our Fraternity than the fact that it has such a newsy and handsome organ. We frequently hear compliments passed on it by men of other Fraternities, and this cannot but increase our love for our beloved Order.

Promising to have something better in May, I will close with a fraternal greeting to all.

F. L. DENNISON.

MARCH 10th, 1893.

ALPHA-KAPPA.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, N. Y.

In my December letter to you I expressed the hope that each successive report would permit me the pleasure of announcing an addition to the ranks of Alpha-Kappa. I am happy to say that I am not disappointed. In January two, and this month one of the beings suggestively termed "barbs" have been landed and conducted to that oasis that affords the height of fraternal love and affection, where brotherly esteem and regard are nurtured and matured under the sunshine of trust and confidence, moistened by the dew of faith and honesty.

May I present them to you and to our brothers at large: Mr. George Harold Powell, of Ghent, N. Y., Mr. Asa Wellington Hawley, of Vergennes, Vt., and Mr. Clarence Wallace Gaile, of East Aurora, N. Y.

And further, the prospects are that my next letter will contain the same good news, for there are several who are but awaiting the occurrence of matters which pertain to the step practical; the step eligible has been passed with affirmative response.

Since last you read my lines our rooms have domiciliated a billiard-table, partially the gift of the members who expect to leave us with next spring's commencement, and partially the purchase of the Chapter.

We feel that the gift is of extreme value, as an expression of the interest and love of its instigators, and as a means of honest pleasure and pastime.

Bro. Powell has just distinguished himself and honored the Chapter by his prominent and eminently successful work as a member of the Sophomore Cotillion Committee, a position of much responsibility in the social life of Cornell.

We are just now agitating the question of a Chapter lodge, and the opening of next year will see Alpha-Kappa in a house, if such a thing is of the possibilities. We are feeling more and more the need of a home, in our efforts to grow and advance,

and we are going to bend every effort to the accomplishment of this desire.

At our recent election the following officers were chosen :

E. P. Boynton, G. M. ; J. C. Newton, G. M. C. ; G. W. Rulison, G. T. ; A. W. Hawley, G. S. ; T. R. Warriner, G. P. ; C. T. Benjamin, Chaplain ; Chas. Dunn, Conductor ; Messrs. Wolcott and Powell, Guards.

We are very much interested in the movement for a song book, and hope soon to prove our interest by a practical offering.

Faternally yours,

FEBRUARY 15th, 1893.

E. P. BOYNTON,

33 Heustis St., Ithaca, N. Y.

ALPHA-LAMBDA.

UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT, BURLINGTON, VT.

It is with great pleasure that Alpha-Lambda places her name on the list of Kappa Sigma Chapters, and it is with pleasure also that we take up our correspondence with THE CADUCEUS, for we wish to add our voices to the grand old Order, and to fall into line with our good brothers.

Alpha-Lambda has learned to love and cherish the Fraternity in her early childhood. We were initiated into the venerable Order on the 16th day of February, by Bro. J. S. Ferguson, M. D., of New York, assisted by Bro. Geo. C. Kittredge, of Maine State College, both being members of Psi, and they are model men for the work and men whom we enjoyed much in their short stay here.

We fall into the ranks with fifteen thoroughly earnest men, representing every course and class in college.

We thoroughly believe that it is possible to put $K \Sigma$ on a par with the other Greek-letter Fraternities in the University, of which there are seven, and certainly we will not allow the Star and Crescent to suffer dishonor here.

Every brother is alive to the work and filled with pride at what the Chapter now is, and what it is possible to make it in the estimation of our college fellows.

The outlook is encouraging to say the least. Already an interest in our welfare is shown by the College generally.

The field is good for obtaining a few more into our membership should we deem it advisable.

Our present membership consists of men who are active in whatever they undertake and with proper conservatism, we will soon gain strength and prominence to cope with our Greek-letter brothers.

Although not in a permanent hall we have the exclusive right of one Saturday nights, and are having good, interesting, Fraternity meetings, and it is hoped in the near future we may secure a hall of our own.

Considerable enthusiasm has been shown in the literary work, of which we do some at each meeting after the opening exercises.

The following officers we elected for the remainder of this year:

G. M., Joseph B. Kidder; G. M. C., John Young; G. P., T. H. Wheatley; G. S., F. N. Guild; G. T., Leigh Hunt; G. C., H. D. Giddings; Correspondent, C. G. Andrews.

The list of members: C. G. Andrews, '95; O. W. Barrett, '96; J. W. Boyce, '96; C. W. Fisher, '96; J. B. Kidder, '96; H. D. Giddings, '96; F. M. Small, '96; F. N. Guild, '94; Wm. Stuart, '94; T. E. Hopkins, '95; N. B. Webber, '95; Leigh Hunt, '95; T. H. Wheatley, '93; B. D. Longe, '94; J. F. Young, '94.

We wish to extend, through THE CADUCEUS, our thanks to the Executive Committee for their aid in getting us so nicely started, through correspondence and through Bro. Ferguson, whom they so kindly sent to assist us.

Yours fraternally,

C. G. ANDREWS.

BURLINGTON, VT., March 7th, 1893.

PERSONALS.

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'73. Francis Irvin Osborne was elected Attorney-General of North Carolina in November by the Democratic party of that State. Bro. Osborne has attained considerable prominence as a lawyer, and his election to such a position is but a just tribute to his ability.

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Stanley W. Martin, W. G. T., at a recent election of officers of the Danville (Va.) Commandery of Knights Templar was elected Junior Warden, and Herbert W. Martin (*H*), W. G. S., was elected Warden, this being a jump of six years in the line of promotion in the first case and about four in the latter, this advance making them about the youngest K. T. officers in the United States.

II

'93. Frederick W. Speakman has gone to Pittsburgh, Pa., where he will enter the shops of the Westinghouse Electric and Manfg. Co. to gain practical experience in mechanical and electrical construction.

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Bro. A. R. Gohlson, Clarksville, Tenn., has resigned his position as C. and M. of Chancery Court and entered into the law business with Mr. R. H. Burney, under the firm-name of Burney & Gohlson.

Bro. Earnest Beach is the junior member of the firm Young & Beach, grocers, Clarksville, Tenn.

Bro. Rooney Bardwell is in the Northern Bank, Clarksville, Tenn.

Bro. Howard Pettus is in the First National Bank, Clarksville, Tenn.

Bro. Potts is in business in Jackson, Tenn.

Bro. Sam Pointer is traveling for Gray, Fall & Co., Nashville, Tenn.

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'92. M. S. McDowell is engaged as chemist in the experiment station at Raleigh, N. C.

'95. H. S. Taylon is reading law at Bellefonte, Pa.

W. G. S. NOTICES.

THOSE Chapters which have thus far failed to comply with the instructions of my circular letter of December 28th, 1892, regarding sending in their old charters that the new ones might be issued therefrom, will please send them in at once, so that the new form may be generally distributed before the close of this term. It is to be regretted that a number of our Chapters have no charters at all, they having been either carried off by some careless brother or destroyed. If those which are in this predicament will notify me of the fact, I will be glad to issue the new form from the records. It is absolutely essential to the proper observance of the regulations of the Fraternity that each Chapter be in possession of its charter. The Chapter officers will please take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Fraternally,

HERBERT M. MARTIN, W. G. S.

NORTH DANVILLE, VA., March 28th, 1893.

There are still about one hundred copies of the Conclave Minutes in my office for distribution, and I will be glad to furnish a copy to any brother who may apply for same.

Fraternally,

HERBERT M. MARTIN, W. G. S.

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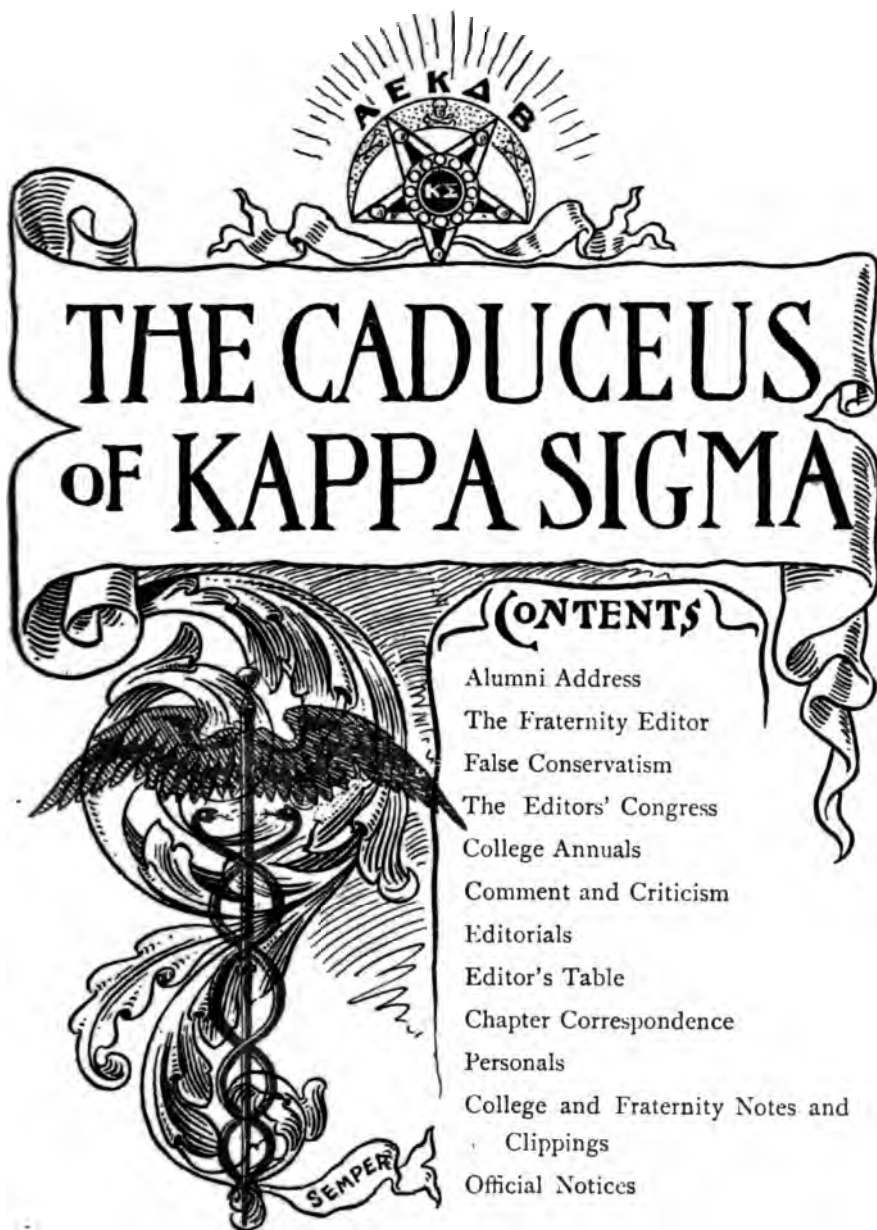
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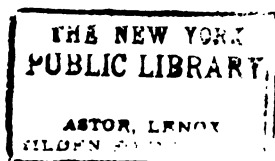
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WHEN the undeserved honor of addressing this Convention was conferred upon me by the active members of Sigma Chapter, I freely confessed to them my earnest conviction that any other choice would most assuredly prove more felicitous on this occasion. And the justness of my opinion is brought home to me with double intenseness, now that I have heard the delightful addresses of the brothers who have preceded me.

But, recognizing then, as I do now, that my name was suggested not for any special personal qualifications that could recommend me to this distinguished trust, but merely as a just tribute of regard and esteem to the body I have the honor to represent,

I cheerfully accepted, with the undivided confidence that my own shortcomings would swiftly vanish in the light of your kindly feelings. So much so that, although I cannot congratulate the local Chapter on their selection, yet, in the name of the Alumni, I desire to thank them here to-night, and to extend to every member of this Convention a fraternal welcome.

A personal friend, of large university experience, assures me that he has listened to a great number of Alumni addresses, not one of which survived its delivery in the recollection of its hearers. It will be no little consolation to me for the like fate awaiting my performance to know that I shall be one of a noble army of martyrs.

I believe that I stand now in the presence of a goodly number of men, all of whom, but a short time ago, drank from the fountain of classic lore, and, most probably, at that time in life when every man becomes a poet, coquetted with the muse. Others, perhaps, essayed somewhat the problem of "divine philosophy." But it is from the fact that we have all sighed and studied and smiled within the circle of this little fraternal band, whose very essence of friendship and good-will has called this Convention into being, that this reunion derives its special significance.

How interesting, then, the occasion that gathers us here together, strangers from every quarter of this State—strangers, it may be, in name and feature, yet all united in a strong fellowship of interest in the recollection of the past of this beloved Order, and in the anticipation of her glorious future! How, to those of us who have already buckled on the armor and stepped forward in the march of life, this occasion unlocks and brings forth all the precious treasures of memory! How features, almost faded, stand out anew and full of life in the college gallery! How voices forever hushed in an eternal silence seem to re-echo in the college corridor! How the hopes and fears, the visions, illusions, and aspirations of earlier youth all come back to us with wonderful freshness! At the sight of such a panorama unrolled before us by the hand of fancy, and while in the full paroxysm of the inspiration it creates, like some weary traveler,

meeting some brilliant oasis in the wild Sahara of the mind, we pause to drink fresh spirits there. We delight in such a scene, but it must soon shift, and we are brought face to face with the active, living present.

In this electric age of ours there is no time to linger long at any favorite spot. We must soon gather up our traps, be up and doing, push onward and ever onward, and rush through life like men, heedless of danger, rush to the fray of battle.

Not inappropriately has life itself been called a battle, a strife, a fitful fever. The prize in the race is to the strong, the vigilant, the active, and the brave, to those who are prepared to stand its pains and pleasures, its failures, its triumphs, and its disappointments.

When Themistocles was offered to be taught the art of memory, he calmly answered, "Nay, not so; teach me rather the art of forgetfulness." Those of us who have already experienced the instability of human friendship and the mutability of human affection can better appreciate the spirit of temporary bitterness and gloom which weighed upon the mind of the Great Retreater when he uttered the few words I have just quoted. True it is that the recollection of personal memories is seldom, if ever, unmixed with pain; we cannot recall a joy but to feel that it has departed, or a success that is not balanced by a corresponding failure. In hours of sweetest pleasure, the vision of Mirzah rises before us, and we see the long procession of life, with the well-beloved passers dropping one by one through the arches that span the rolling tide of Eternity. From the strength of the contrast existing in the thought we derive moral strength, and it makes of us a wiser and a better people.

Therefore does it seem to me quite meet and proper, and especially on occasions of this nature, to call a halt in the march of life to count the stations we have passed, to see how far and in what direction we have journeyed, possibly to derive wisdom and inspiration from the survey. As none of us have traveled very far as yet, the road will not be very long.

Following that pleasant course, we are first carried back to

that period in the climacterics of the mind when Imagination was the chief purveyor of our mental pleasures.

On the narrow cot of the Freshman and in the classic room of the Sophomore, it wove for us the garlands of fame, fixed the fabric of fortune, spread the banquet of joy, and filled the beaker of pleasure. Paraphrasing the language of one of England's favored sons, in his immortal apostrophe, like a mental opiate, imagination "to the heart of poor and rich alike, for the wounds that will never heal, and for the pangs that sometimes tempt the spirit to rebel, brings an assuaging balm; to the guilty man, for one night alone, it brings back the days of his youth and hands washed pure from blood; and to the proud, the brief oblivion for 'wrongs unredressed and insults unavenged!' It summoneth to the chancery of dreams for the triumph of suffering innocence, false witnesses and confoundeth perjury, and doth reverse the sentence of unrighteous judges. Upon the very bosom of darkness, out of the fantastic imagery of the brain, it builds cities and temples beyond the art of Phidias and Praxiteles, beyond the splendor of Babylon or Hekatompylos. It calls forth into sunny light the faces of long-buried beauties cleansed from the dishonors of the grave."

But like the spell of the Eastern leaf, which gave to the author of the *Confessions* all his sublimest eloquence, the spell of imagination upon the mind of youth soon passes away, and each day's experience convinces us of the humiliating fact that the human mind possesses no infallible touchstone of truth.

The roseate hues that seemed to soften the background upon which our little world was projected soon change to darker tints, and the time comes when "we no longer listen with credulity to the whispers of fancy, or pursue with eagerness the phantoms of hope." Fantasy loses its creative power, and recollection becomes the store-house of future years. From occasions of this kind, then, in spite of the Themistoclean admonition, we derive especial satisfaction, because they bring back to us these elements we once delighted to possess, and which I have but imperfectly endeavored to suggest.

And now I suppose I have said enough; but besides offer-

ing apologies for this imposition upon your patience I desire to say but a few words more, looking not backward but further forward. Taking more interest in your welfare than in your farewell, they might not be totally out of place.

The President's gavel shall soon rap the hour for retiring. You all shall leave this place of meeting and return to your quiet homes and the daily pursuit of your avocations. Some of you will re-enter the class-room to win fresh laurels of success. You will leave this fair Crescent City and after contemplating the frozen music of its architecture, will return to tell your folks "what deeds are done in Rome," or Bologna, rather. We hope to, but we might never meet again. The best of friends must suffer the penalty of that law.

Through whatever fields choice or chance may lead you to sow your seeds of labor, may you ever reap a rich harvest of success. But whether in those halcyon days of happiness and success, when fortune fairly seems to urge you on with the siren music of her smiles, and when (pardon the pessimistic thought) when parasitic friends cling around you, or whether in those days of misfortune and distress when the clouds hang so low that none would seem to have its silver lining, let each and every one of us remember the spirit of cheerfulness and goodwill that animated this reunion, and the clouds that ever and anon settle upon the soul will be dispelled as by the hand of magic. The thought of it will guide you as a religion in itself, for it rests upon those eternal principles of right, justice, and Christian manhood written by the finger of God upon the heart of man. Pessimistic doctrines may spread and prosper, Hobbistic theories may convulse the world with utter disorder, but the corner-stone of this Order is a religion encompassed by no church, circumscribed by no creed, hampered by no articles of faith, and as wide and all-pervading as the circumambient air. "We meet upon the level and part upon the square." Let us all remember it then, not only now but "*Semper*"—from that glorious evening when the golden clouds softly glided toward the Adriatic and, in the company of the Brother Conductor, you passed the * * * * *, and saw the hills of Greece resplendent in

the distance, to that last and solemn moment when the sea of unrest and doubt is crossed forever, and

" Hope sees a ' star,'
And listening Love can hear the rustle of a wing."

THE FRATERNITY EDITOR.

(*Kappa Alpha Journal.*)

IN the present age, almost all Fraternities have an editor, who, either for love or for money, or for both, conducts the publication of his Fraternity's periodical. There are many qualities that such an editor must possess, many that he does possess, many that he is supposed to possess, and yet, although he is usually a man of wonderfully varied attainments, there are qualities which he does not possess. While there are many qualities that all such editors must possess, yet there is a wonderful variety of them in existence. This can be readily seen by perusing the various magazines.

The editor of a Fraternity magazine must be a man who is interested in Fraternity affairs. He must have been so interested from his initiation up to his election, and from that time his interest must increase or his salary must be good. The Fraternity editor must be proof against flattery and proof against criticism. He is liable to be told to-day that his editorials are full of good sense, while to-morrow he may be berated for allowing such and such an article to appear, and he is likely to receive an insinuation that he is a noodle for tearing so many tail-feathers from the young American eagles that some ambitious Chapter correspondent has nestled in the pages of his letter.

The Fraternity editor must be a man of facile pen. A man who can express every idea that he has, and many more. He must be able to draw at sight from the bank of thought, and to discount his I. O. U. at the bank of ideas. While it is true that if a Fraternity editor is a man of discretion and forethought, he can usually persuade his friends to contribute

enough articles to leave him time to prepare the editorial departments; yet there is no telling when, at the eleventh hour, he may be called upon to fill up his magazine with articles of his own composition. He should possess a general information as to the history of his own Order, and have a smattering of the history and condition of other similar organizations. He should be like Silas Wegg, able to drop into verse occasionally, in order to relieve the monotony of page after page of prose. He must have nerve enough to publish his own lines, and at the same time reject the lines of others, which lines may not be up to the standard he arbitrarily fixes in such matters. It is a good rule never to let deformed verses go in. By deformed verses are meant verses which have lines of various numbers and lengths of feet, and lines which have no feet at all. In other words, the verses should run smoothly, and it is a patent impossibility for lines to run smoothly without feet, and feet that match. The editor should not be over-credulous, else his magazine will show the conceit of the Order. It is natural for an inexperienced occupant of the tripod to believe that his Order is superior to all others. Every Chapter in it is ahead socially, mentally, morally, and religiously to every other Chapter at the institution where it is located. This is what the correspondents say, and this must be truth. The Fraternity editor is obliged to believe that quality is superior to quantity, and that if the boys at Digamma ever fail to be honored it is all owing to the disgusting chicanery of the opposition. To these qualities may be added any quality that the editor happens to have in stock. He may be a clear thinker, a stronger reasoner, and a forcible writer. He may be a leader by nature, and a molder of opinion. He may be a man of judgment and discretion in choosing that which he writes, and he may be able not to write anything that is not for the good of his Fraternity. He may be a prompt and punctual correspondent. He may never become irritated; on the contrary, he may possess indomitable patience. He may have nothing to do but to edit the magazine he conducts; but it is more than likely that there are other things demanding his attention, and filling his mind. The Fraternity editor may possess many

other qualities not necessary to mention. He may be married or single, rich or poor, tall or short, fat or slender, but he should try to write so as to impress the readers that he is married, is rich, is tall, and broad-shouldered and has a voice resonant and commanding.

He is supposed by the majority of the active members to be rather old; at the conventions he is usually called Brother Throckmorton, rather than Throckmorton. He is supposed to have universal knowledge of the details of everything going on in the Fraternity world, and time enough to write all this knowledge in full to all who ask for it. He is supposed to be able to turn out a magazine without any particular effort on the part of the rest of the Fraternity, and to make it a good number each time. This, it is true, is a rather complimentary but fearfully erroneous idea.

The Fraternity editor, with the assistance of the active and alumni members of the Fraternity, ought to be able to make each number of the magazine interesting and instructive. He ought to be a fair exponent of his Order as a man, and thoroughly alive to its interests; nothing more should be expected of him. Sitting as he does, feeling the pulse of the entire Order, he gradually becomes to be personally attached to each Chapter, and to the various members with whom he corresponds. Here's to the Fraternity editor, "May he live long and prosper."

FALSE CONSERVATISM.

BY HERBERT M. MARTIN (H).



HERE seems to be a tendency among some of our Chapters to keep their number of active members within a prescribed limit, thereby striving to appear very conservative. I am glad to see, however, that this spirit is not spreading and wish to put in a word to prevent it ever becoming a contagion. To my mind there is no way to set a limit to the number of active members a Chapter should have, for, by so doing, a hurtful restraint is placed upon

that Chapter, and instead of a broad and liberal spirit there is inculcated one of narrowness, and there is no room for such a spirit in *K Σ*.

It is not always the large Chapter that is most successful; not by any means; but I venture the assertion that upon a general average the large Chapters will show a greater spirit of zeal and aggressiveness in forwarding the interests of the Fraternity than the smaller ones. I would not disparage the smaller Chapters, however, for, in some cases, it is impossible because of the scarcity of suitable material for these to gain many initiates. But so long as suitable material is to be had, we hold that it should be the policy of every Chapter to increase its number of active members as far as possible. The advantages to be derived from such a course are almost innumerable, chief among which is the security of the Chapter against failure or death should some eight or ten of its members fail to return to college at the opening of the fall term. There are many cases on record where Chapters have failed on this account, a few of which are in *K Σ*. Numbers cannot work disadvantageously when the men are of the right calibre. Take, for instance, the Chapter of *Φ Δ Θ* at the University of Alabama. We find that the year in which the anti-Fraternity laws were repealed there the Chapter numbered about SIXTY active members, having full swing at the entire institution and not limiting its membership while there were good men to be had. The Chapter has never suffered any evil effects from that year's work as far as is known, and has easily maintained the supremacy it gained in that year, and bids fair to keep it for all time, being easily the first Chapter in the institution.

While it has never been the fortune of *K Σ* to strike any such "snap" as the one above alluded to, yet I hope our Chapters will take knowledge thereof and endeavor to act accordingly and seek at all times to keep their rolls well filled, and we predict for them greater success than they have ever yet had.

A few advance as a reason for their not making more initiations that material is not at hand such as they deem suitable, that they had rather see the Chapter lapse than take in men

unworthy to wear the badge, etc., etc. So had we, too, rather see them die than lower our standard of membership; but do they always judge correctly whether a man is worthy and well qualified to enter * * * * and do they really carry out their professed spirit of conservatism? We fear that they do not, and we have good cause to think so, too. Chapters of other Fraternities located in some of these institutions are gaining largely in membership, and we cannot think that ALL of them are securing men below the standard of *K Σ*. We profess to have a high standard, but are not so arrogant as to presume that our standard is above that of all other Fraternities. Hence we cannot understand why some of our Chapters remain at almost a standstill in the way of gaining new members, unless they are laboring under the delusion that the smaller the Chapter the better it is, or, still worse, are so indifferent as to the success of the Fraternity in general and their Chapters in particular as to fail to enter more earnestly into the contest for new men. This can result eventually in only one end—defeat and death to the Chapters animated by such a spirit. Let us seek to eradicate these existing evils and do our full duty by the Fraternity which we swore at the sacred altar to help, aid, and support, not for a day, a year, or a college term, but for life, and thus we will render ourselves worthy of the trust that has been imposed in us. Let us not rest contented until we bring the Fraternity up to such a standard of excellence that we may well feel that to be a *K Σ* were better than to be a Roman in Rome's best days.

THE EDITORS' CONGRESS.

(The official announcement.)

A GENERAL congress of editors of college Fraternity publications will be held at Chicago on Wednesday, July 19th, 1893. The session will convene at two o'clock P. M. in one of the assembly rooms of the Memorial Art Palace. The object of the meeting will be the free interchange of views and the discussion of the various

interests touching the subject of Fraternity journalism. Such a general meeting cannot fail to exert a far-reaching and beneficial influence on the journalistic department of Fraternity work through the wise counsels of Fraternity editors whose experience in the field has been long and thorough.

That the spirit in which the meeting was conceived and planned meets with a cordial indorsement and that the possible good fruits of such a conference are generally realized, is made manifest by the unanimity with which invitations to participation have met with acceptance.

It is desired that the meeting may be as representative and complete and the discussion as broad and thorough as possible. To this end no strict official representation of any Fraternity is contemplated. The conference looks primarily to the co-operation of the present editors, but they are desired to add to the completeness of the meeting by securing the attendance of their predecessors in office and also of any other members of their organization whose presence may add to the value of the council. Such additional representatives will, on recommendation, be appointed members of the congress.

The plan of the meeting will be the presentation of a series of papers touching the various phases of Fraternity journalism, and the subsequent free and full discussion of these papers. In order that the discussion may be as complete as possible, the number of papers has been limited to the fewest permissible in properly covering the field, and each one will be as brief as may be consistent with a comprehensive treatment of the subject.

The subjects and authors of the papers to be presented are as follows :

"FRATERNITY JOURNALISM—ITS SCOPE;" C. L. Van Cleve, Troy, Ohio, Editor of *The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi*.

"FRATERNITY JOURNALISM—ITS INFLUENCE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SYSTEM;" Frederic C. Howe, Ph. D., Baltimore, Md., Editor of *The Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly*.

"FRATERNITY JOURNALISM—ITS FINANCIAL ASPECTS;" Clay W. Holmes, Elmira, N. Y., editor of *The Shield of Theta Delta Chi*.

"FRATERNITY JOURNALISM—AS AN AID IN FRATERNITY GOVERNMENT ;" Charles M. Hepburn, Cincinnati, Ohio, editor of *Beta Theta Pi*.

"FRATERNITY JOURNALISM—ITS UNIFYING INFLUENCE ON THE CHAPTERS ;" George W. Warner, Philadelphia, Pa., editor of THE CADUCEUS of Kappa Sigma.

"FRATERNITY JOURNALISM—IS IT CONSISTENT WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF THE SYSTEM ?" Grant W. Harrington, Hiawatha, Kan., editor of *The Delta* of Sigma Nu.

"FRATERNITY JOURNALISM—ITS RELATION TO FRATERNITY LOYALTY ;" John E. Brown, Columbus, Ohio, editor of *The Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta.

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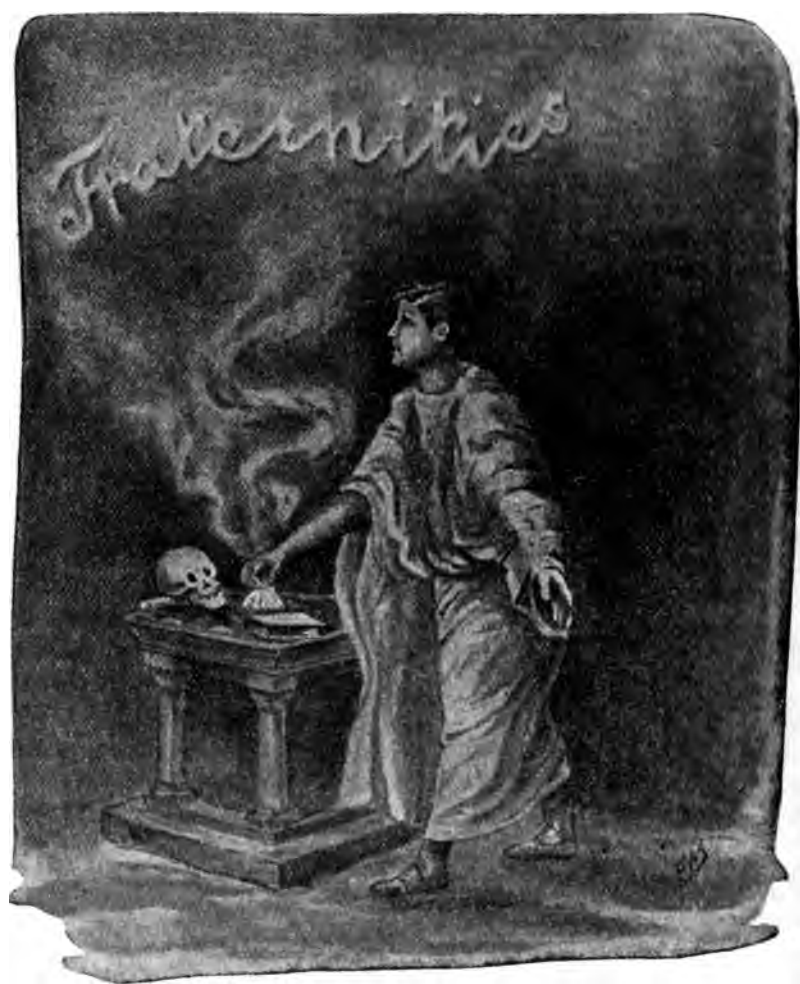
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COLLEGE ANNUALS.

I—THE SWARTHMORE HALCYON.

THE first of the year's college annuals to be received is the Swarthmore *Halcyon*, published by the Junior class, that came out for sale on May 12th, the day of the Spring Sports at Swarthmore. Through the kindness of the Editors we are enabled to present to our readers some of the illustrations of the book, which show the amount of ability that can be found in a college the size of Swarthmore. The annuals that have been published by the Swarthmore students have approached a degree of excellence that is only excelled by some of our large colleges and Universities, and this year's edition is not much below the high standard set in the past; but it hardly equals in artistic and literary merit the edition of the last two years. An article on the early history of the college, by Ex-President Magill, will be of much interest to all those interested in the college. From *The Halcyon*, we find that $K \Sigma$, $\Phi K \Psi$, $\Pi M O$ (local), $K A \theta$, and $\Pi B \phi$ have Chapters at Swarthmore, established in the order given. $K \Sigma$ is much below the other Chapters in numbers this year, there being but seven members. In the picture given of the foot-ball team we find the faces of Bros. Clark, Brook, Hodge, and Hart, and find that in athletic class, literary and other societies our brothers stand well.

We hope that the other Chapters will send us copies of their college annuals, so that our review this year may be a complete record of all annuals published at the colleges where $K \Sigma$ is established.

COMMENT AND CRITICISM.

ONE OF THE MOST STARTLING PIECES OF NEWS that has appeared in the recent Greek Press is the $\Phi K \Psi$ trouble at the State University of Wisconsin. It seems that a whole Chapter has resigned itself out of that Fraternity and proposes, judging from indications, to join some other Order. The ultra-conservative editor of the *Shield* usually takes his way with an equanimity that is as remarkable as it is admirable. The adjective rarely appears in the drama he presents behind the editorial footlights. Heretofore, when adjectives appeared, it was but a passing from wing to wing; a bow to the audience in the meantime. In the last issue, this worthy occupant of the tripod rises from his calm into the atmosphere of tempests. Adjectives rush upon the stage, adjectives in armor, adjectives with swords and spears, and the play that was erstwhile like to the dramatic production known as "The Old Homestead," bloomed into a tragedy as strong and full of epithet as *Lear*.

Judging from the accounts given of the affair, the indignation given vent to is just and praiseworthy. There seems no justification for such conduct on the part of the Chapter, and all Greekdom should rise up and pronounce a solemn censure. It is to be hoped that no other Fraternity will receive the resigned Chapter. It is to be hoped that the policy of lifting men, either directly or indirectly, is extinct. It is bad enough if the resignations were tendered without influence from any alien order. If, as is hinted at in the *Shield*, some rival organization engendered the withdrawal, it makes a blot upon the character of that rival Fraternity that cannot be erased. A Fraternity that will attempt to steal a Chapter from another is guilty of such a crime as to merit ostracism at the hands of all upright, honorable organizations. Nor does it matter whether the Chapter was taken by force and arms, or was seduced into revolt by the sinuous arts of cunning men. It is to be hoped that no Fraternity has been guilty of the crime of enticing in any manner a

Chapter from $\Phi K \Psi$. The only policy of self-preservation is for Fraternities to refuse to countenance such conduct on the part of a Chapter, and the best way for a Fraternity to frown upon it is never to receive the withdrawing members into fellowship.—*K A Journal*.

VALE! WORLD'S FAIR FRATERNITY EXHIBIT.—At a special meeting of the College Fraternities Exhibit Committee, held at Administration Building, Jackson Park, April 1st, 1893, at which six Fraternities were represented, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That the College Fraternities' Exhibit Committee hereby decides that, for various reasons, an exhibit by the College Fraternities at the World's Columbian Exposition is not at this time feasible, the chief reasons being that the space was not allotted until the time remaining was too short to make a characteristic exhibit, and the consequent inexpediency of collecting exhibits while this important matter was undetermined, as well as the difficulties placed in the way by the Exposition Management of carrying out the decorative design, after it had been selected by the Committee and approved by said Management, and that the Committee therefore surrender the space allotted to it.

"RICHARD LEE FEARN, *Chairman*.

"MABELLE T. LITTLE, *Secretary*."

This resolution, we think, wisely and satisfactorily settles the question of the exhibit which the committee bravely endeavored to make a success in the face of all the obstacles, natural and artificial, placed in its way.

The *Scroll* had not desired in any way to discourage the exhibit enterprise, so long as $\Phi \Delta \theta$ planned to take part in the same. Now that the official edict for its decease has gone forth, we heartily second it, for the reasons given in the quoted resolution, and those appearing in an article published in our February number.— $\Phi \Delta \theta$ *Scroll*.

CHAPTER LETTERS.—Speaking of Chapter letters, we have been tempted several times recently to publish a few which we have received just as they came to us, but a tender regard for our own pedantic profession deterred us.

Shades of Lindley Murray, Webster, and Blair, defend us! Such grammar, such spelling, such rhetoric!

We have wondered sometimes what standard of qualifica-

tion is maintained—not set up—that men writing such English, with such spelling and such diction, not alone are permitted to pass class after class until perhaps reaching the Senior year, but were even admitted to college standing at all.

We have no purpose of inflicting a wound, certainly not a useless one; but for the benefit of the careless we would like to print privately a list of words misspelled, of ungrammaticisms, of turgid, tumultuous rhetoric, as awful examples of how not to do it.

Every Editor has this experience, but it hurts us that $\Phi K \Psi$ has such a large constituency of poor spellers, not to say inapt rhetoricians.

Have a care in writing your letters, brothers. All the hoary past may not be looking down on you from any pyramidal summit, but a critical $\Phi K \Psi$ audience is looking at your work and is measuring your Chapter by you, and you are getting some editorial help in putting forward a better foot than you have or appear to have.— *$\Phi K \Psi$ Shield.*

CONSERVATISM is a word often abused by Fraternity men, who use it to conceal inactivity and Chapter dry rot. But the other extreme of careless initiations is no less an evil to be guarded against.

Fraternities, from their very natures, must be conservative to attain their highest ends. They are not intended for the masses, but the elect few, and in what degree a Chapter exercises care and judgment in its selection of recruits from the barbarian ranks, taking only such as it can assimilate and make a constituent part of itself, in that degree will it approach its ideal. Only those must be admitted to the sacred bond of friendship who can properly appreciate it, who are capable of enjoying it and strengthening it by their presence. The recluse, the cynic, and the dissipated have no place in the fraternal circle. The sympathetic heart, the ready, helping hand and cheering words of true men are what are wanted there; men who are capable of benefiting those they come in contact with, and of being benefited in return.

The true Fraternity exists not in Chapter-houses, in mythical legends and secret rites, in pomp and paraphernalia, but in the lives and hearts of men.



—Swarthmore Halcyon.

EDITORIALS.

Where, oh! where are the men, now lost to view, who, a few years back were so enthusiastic, so brimful of ardor and so ready to work for the good old "Frat." whose badge they wear? Where are the missing ones who wrote such letters to the *Quarterly*, swearing eternal allegiance, writing as only college boys, full of enthusiasm, can write? I have been poring over old copies of that forerunner of THE CADUCEUS, the old *Quarterly*, and but few of the names in its pages are familiar now. Some have kept up with the good work, but the great majority, alas! have almost forgotten their Fraternity, and dropped it as they have their other college associations. Is there no way to still keep these brothers in touch with their younger fraters in college? Is the work of THE CADUCEUS in vain? Do men so soon forget their vows? Earnestly we have striven to better our Magazine; striven to bind the brothers closer together, to keep the Chapters in touch, to advance K Σ. Like others we have often fallen, but would that all knew what a task it is, almost unaided, as we have been. Is there no way to arouse the enthusiasm of Alumni and active members and gain better support? We have tried hard to solve the question, and it is still unanswered. Sample copies have been sown far and wide, and an endeavor made to arouse the Alumni, but the harvest has been discouragingly small. Illustrations were introduced to add to the value of the Magazine, but when it was suggested that the Chapters, in order to lessen expenses, pay for the plate, the vanity of even the college man seemed to drop below par, and Chapter photographs were no longer forthcoming. It remains with the members of the Fraternity what the Magazine shall be. Two men cannot furnish material and also edit it. Contributions from members, bearing upon college and Fraternity life must form the basis of a creditable journal, and Chapter letters alone cannot alone fill up an issue of what is

supposed to be the organ of an Order that you would have proudly rise to first rank. A Fraternity is often judged by the periodical it issues, and it should be the pride of all *K Σ*'s to better theirs in every way.

Many Chapter letters are filled with accounts of the victories of members in debate, in literary competitions. Why cannot these same men devote some of their talents to articles for *THE CADUCEUS*? Why cannot some of this thought, wit, and eloquence be exhibited to brothers far distant, that they too might be benefited by it? What better subject could there be than our Fraternity? For the best article on Fraternity or college matters submitted between now and the first of December, 1893, the Editors of *THE CADUCEUS* will give a prize of \$10; the contributions to appear in the intervening issues.

Some time ago a prize was offered for the best design of a flag suitable for the banner of *K Σ*. Twenty-five dollars was not enough to tempt over three competitors, and the designs submitted were not of high enough order to be adopted, nor were they rendered according to the conditions of the contest. In the July number we will submit some designs to the Chapters, one to be selected on a vote of the Chapters, "the Supreme Executive Committee concurring."

- Although efforts to awaken the old-time ardor of our Alumni has been futile, a plan is now submitted to the active members that they may get their older brothers to subscribe to *THE CADUCEUS*. Every man in college must know and have the address of many of the Alumni, and should personally get subscriptions from them. For every order for over five copies agents will be paid twenty per cent. commission.
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Alpha-Kappa has the proper idea about Chapter work and "push," and is to be congratulated on her rapid advancement. The suggestion in regard to a course of study on Fraternity

history is one that all the Chapters might accept with advantage. Too many Fraternity men are grossly ignorant of the secret work and history of their own Order, and a study of such matters would increase enthusiasm and bring about a truer fraternal regard and a better estimate of their own worth. THE CADUCEUS does not care to appear as a free advertising medium, but we cannot refrain from saying, what we have often said before, that every Fraternity man should read Baird's *College Fraternities*, and that entertaining new magazine, *The College Fraternity*, for by so doing he will know what is going on outside of his own Chapter and Fraternity, and be less narrow in his views on Greek subjects.

Iota Chapter has adopted the commendable plan of issuing an annual letter to her Alumni and ex-members. Nothing pleases the old "boys" more than the interest shown for them by their brothers still in college, and it might be remarked that nothing more pleases the men in college than to have the Alumni show that they are still interested in them and the old college and the Fraternity they joined in those happy by-gone days. Such letters bind the older and younger men together with one bond of sympathy, and such letters should be issued by every Chapter. Iota's letter shows the number of active members to be eleven, and the total number of Alumni since 1886 to be forty-one. It may be of interest to note that of this number there are eight lawyers, five preachers, four merchants, three teachers, two doctors, two students, two farmers, two insurance agents, one banker, one printer, one electrician, one druggist, and one telegraph operator, the professions or business of the remaining number not being given. Our Texas Chapters are far from being cosmopolitan in make-up, all of Iota's active members being from Texas, and but four of the Alumni now being outside of the State, two being in Louisiana, one in Arkansas, and one in Mexico.

An interesting letter from Gamma Chapter arrived as the last lot of "copy" was going to the printers. Epsilon's epistle

arrived by the same mail, and appears in this issue. The dates of the other letters speak for themselves. Honor to whom honor is due, and criticism to those who need it. Pages of editorial advice, admonition, remonstrance, criticism, and warning have appeared on the subject of Chapter letters—how they should be written, on what subjects, and in what manner. Gamma stands convicted of the unpardonable crime of violating the printer's first law, her letter being written on note paper, and, we regret to confess, *on both sides of the sheet*. Editorial patience is supposed to be unlimited, but no more editorials will hereafter appear on the subject of Chapter correspondence. The blue pencil and the waste basket will silently and effectually do their work.

Before another issue of our journal the college session of 1892-93 will be of the past. Commencement will have come and gone, and another army of college-bred men will be out in the world to make their marks, and, incidentally, their bread. May all the *K Σ*'s who leave their *Alma Maters*, to go amid all the realities of the world, keep ever green in their heart of hearts the love of that Fraternity that has helped them to be wiser and better men, that has brightened their college days with the joys of fraternal affection and good companionship, and taught them better how to live. In after years those college days will seem the happiest of all. Let every Alumnus resolve to remember how it seemed when he was a boy, and remember, too, how the interest of his older brothers was appreciated, and let him resolve to ever keep in view his Chapter, and aid it in every way possible. Let the members who will return to college in the fall resolve to do still better next year than they have done this, work harder for their college and their Fraternity, and strive to keep the honor of *K Σ* ever pure and clean, and plant its banner on the highest pinnacle.

EDITOR'S TABLE.

A formidable pile of exchanges confronts the reviewer, and it seems as though this collection of the journals of Greeks become more formidable each succeeding period. Fraternity magazines have improved wonderfully in the last few years in appearance, in literary excellence, and general make up, and the addition of illustrations in many have added to their attractiveness. The journal of $\Phi \theta \Psi$ is of a secret nature and copies are never exchanged with those of the other magazines, so we can say nothing of the possible improvement of *The Crown*. The *Delta* of ΣN does not seem to advance as rapidly as it might, and the sooner the invalid complexioned cover is superseded by something more pleasing and the magazine improved typographically, the prouder the wearers of "the coiled serpent" will be of their official organ. *The Quarterly* of $\Phi K \Sigma$ is but a pamphlet of few pages, and cannot yet rank with its contemporaries. But those well-printed, well-illustrated, well-edited magazines of $\Delta K E$, $B \theta \Pi$, $\Phi \Delta \theta$, $\theta \Delta X$, $K A$, ΣX , and many others make one wonder where the advance in Fraternity journalism will stop and to what expense and labor the Fraternities will go before the limit is reached. There is now too much surplus bulk and padding, and improvement will naturally tend to be in the quality, and not in the quantity. Better editorials, better contributions of true literary worth, more general college and Fraternity news, and, let us pray, better written Chapter letters will be features of the perfected journal that will make glad the heart of both the editor and the enthusiastic and ardent Greek.

Beta Theta Pi keeps up in general excellence, but confines itself largely to the doings of Betas, and therefore is of more interest to those who know the mysteries of "the Dorg." No

exchange notes are ever given, and the readers are so kept to a certain extent in ignorance concerning the thoughts and deeds of the Greeks of the outer world.

The Scroll of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ for February contains an article on "Opportunities for Fraternity Work" that is full of valuable suggestions. It also contains an article on the "Badging" of Vice-President Stevenson. The April number contains a symposium of "The Policy of Phi Delta Theta as a Training for Good Citizenship," and accounts of the celebration of Alumni Day. In our College and Fraternity Notes we print some items of interest culled from the pages of *The Scroll*.

The guardian spirit of the fortunes of the journal of $\Theta \Delta X$ does not seem to care to have *The Shield* called his "fat blue pride," and calls us to account for appropriating news items from the same. We confess that we find many items of interest in the pages of *The Shield*, and use them in a department distinctly marked "Notes and Clippings," and credit any article that is more than a simple news item, and that bears the stamp of originality in the magazine in which it appears. But as we see the same items, without credit, in *The Shield*, that we have read in earlier copies of other journals, we cannot feel that Mr. Holmes can claim originality in much of his Greek notes, and rather think, as he suggests, that we glean sometimes in the same fields, and that he has stretched a point in order to say something in answer to a heedless remark about the bulk of the journal he ably edits.

The Editor of *The Shield* gives to its readers probably the best review of the Fraternity journalism that appears in any of its exponents. His views, although not always agreeing with those of the majority, are well expressed, and his criticisms and remarks are entertaining and instructive. He is not afraid to say what he thinks, and by avoiding the general tendency to say nothing if not complimentary, gives to the readers of *The Shield* a much better idea of the true value and status of the many journals, than the more kindly reviewer. We make

these remarks concerning *The Shield* and its Editor, not because we have to thank the latter for any compliments, but because we too say what we think, and give praise and criticism where we think it due. We give below what *The Shield* has to say about us—but do not wish it taken as a sample of its reviews in bearing out our remarks above—for that ill-timed remark on “fatness” seems to have struck in a manner most unexpected :

“The January number of CADUCEUS gives the place of honor to a bit of mediæval history relative to the distinguished descent claimed by that Fraternity. Mr. H. M. Martin, while not criticising Mr. Baird in the least, but only the persons who furnished him the data for the account of *K Σ* in American College Fraternities, gives some further statements in regard to the defunct Chapters. In exchange notices the Editor pokes fun at the *Shield* for ‘fatness,’ but CADUCEUS does not disdain, nevertheless, to supplement its own leanness by inserting *verbatim*, but without credit, several items from our College Notes. Still others, which are credited to different journals bear evidence that at least we glean in the same fields, and pick up sheaves which are precisely alike. Of course, we congratulate ourselves upon gleaning in such good company. Nor do we claim a copyright upon the items which we gather with considerable pains, but, dear brother, don’t make one-third your college notes exactly the same as ours, unless, perchance, you desire, in the language of Scripture, to ‘wax fat and kick.’”

The College Fraternity continues to be interesting, and improves with each succeeding issue, but unfortunately has caught the common complaint of so many Fraternity journals, and appears a month or so late. The March number contains valuable and well-written articles on “Union and Her Fraternities,” and “Centre College and Her Fraternities.” The cream of the exchanges is given in the Eclectic Department. Among other articles is Herbert M. Martin’s, on “Defunct Chapters.” In the review of current Greek journalism is given the editorial on “Sectionalism,” from the January number of *THE CADUCEUS*.

The *K A Journal* appears with a regularity that is praiseworthy, and is always filled with matter entertaining to every college and Fraternity man. The last two numbers contain several things especially interesting to *K Σ* readers. Of our Convention number is said :

“ The November number of THE CADUCEUS of *K Σ* proclaims that *K Σ* has had a biennial Conclave. Here's to the man who invented conclaves and conventions. If such assemblages result in no other good they enable the Fraternity editor to fill his magazine with reports, speeches, sketches, and so on to infinity, or at least, in the instance of *Kappa Sigma*, to about thirty pages. With such a start, how can a magazine fail to be large and interesting ?

“ The principal changes made in the affairs of *K Σ* related to the increase of the salaries of the officers and the abolition of the system of honorary membership. Of the first, of course, the *Journal* approves. It is becoming to every officer to pronounce the increase of salaries as highly right and proper. As to the second change, the abolition of honorary degrees, this is a matter of genuine congratulation, and is significant of many things. Most important of such things is the gradual growth of opposition to such procedure, and a recognition of inherent strength, not needing the glare of borrowed greatness. *K A* long since declared against this policy, and has rarely ever practiced it in the periods prior to such declaration.

“ The greater part of the Conclave was a banquet, with its accompanying speech-making. *Kappa Sigma*'s orators, at least, carefully prepare what they have to say. This is commendable. The speeches were no doubt good. They are taken on faith by the reviewer.

“ It is not out of place to remark that few Fraternity magazines have improved so much in the past few years as has THE CADUCEUS. Under its present management it has developed from an existence chaotic in the extreme into a form substantial and attractive. It can be inferred that *K Σ* is flourishing in the best meaning of the word.”

The April number contains an article on “ Recent Fraternity

Conventions," and below is an abridged account of *K Σ*'s conclave, as seen through *K Α* glasses :

"The star and crescent of *K Σ* was seen in Washington, D. C. The 'Tenth Biennial Conclave' of that Fraternity met in the nation's capital. A full account of this meeting, narrating business and social features of the occasion, appears in the November number of *THE CADUCEUS*. However, the date of the gathering is not mentioned. Judging from an official notice in back of the magazine the Conclave met prior to October 27th, 1892, and presumably in that month or in the month of September. However veiled in mystery is the date of the meeting, yet it is plain that there was such a meeting; that it was successful and pleasant. Dr. Hamilton J. Coffroth, of Baltimore, presided over the deliberations of the Conclave. Nineteen of the thirty-three Chapters were represented by delegates. In other words, a fraction less than fifty-eight per cent. of the entire number of Chapters.

"Ten Chapters have been established by *K Σ* since the last conclave. These Chapters are remarkable for the different characters of the institutions where they are located. Some of them are such great institutions as Cornell, Johns Hopkins, while one has been established at the U. S. Grant University of Tennessee. The immortal Shakespeare made the pertinent inquiry: 'What's in a name?' If he had lived to remark upon the U. S. Grant University he would have answered himself in words to this effect: 'The whole concern.'

"The *K Σ* Fraternity has been as little discriminating in charter-granting as Emerson is said to have been in bestowing the term of affection upon the Devil, speaking of him as 'the dear old Devil.'

"Between Conclaves, *K Σ* has grown about forty-three per cent. larger.

"The Fraternity declared against honorary membership, and joins now in exclaiming against that empty, senseless practice.

"*K Σ* seems to have the catalogue complaint. The whole matter was turned over to George W. Warner, of Philadelphia, the Editor of *THE CADUCEUS*.

"The banquet was on a Friday night. It was an occasion of joy. The usual programme of speech-making, song-singing, and conversation was carried out.

"The $K \Sigma$ yell is—

"'Rah! 'rah! 'rah!
Crescent and star!
Vive la! vive la!
Kappa Sigma!"

"A merited compliment was bestowed upon Mr. Warner, the Editor of THE CADUCEUS, in re-electing him to that position. Mr. Warner has filled the place with credit to himself and to his Fraternity.

"Such in brief was the tenth biennial conclave of $K \Sigma$."

The Record of $\Sigma A E$ increases in bulk and with its thickness increases in merit. The cover recently adopted is an improvement. $\Sigma A E$ has had a National Convention, and the March number of *The Record* devotes some space to an account of the same. The author says: "Just where and when the convention began it would be hard to tell," so not being a $\Sigma A E$ and a delegate, we cannot either, but believe when the convention did get started it was in Chattanooga, and about December 26th. Much of the time of the delegates seems to have been given up to pleasure-seeking, but some results of the legislation of the convention are given. The provinces were re-arranged, and with the Fraternity divided into seven, the entire United States is covered. A Fraternity flag of purple and gold was adopted, Alumni Chapters were abolished, and Pittsburgh was selected as the place for the next convention, Columbus being a close second in popular favor.



CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

DELTA.

DAVIDSON COLLEGE, DAVIDSON, N. C.

Once more would Delta, taking up the long neglected thread of her correspondence, come with greetings to all true and loyal *K Σ*'s.

Since our last letter, one "barb" has been safely carried by our festive "billy" into the sacred and protecting care of *K Σ*, and it is with pleasure that we introduce to you Bro. W. M. Hill, '96, of Statesville, N. C.

Within the last few days we have been rejoiced by visits from Bros. W. H. Mills, W. W. Morris, and J. F. Hurley. It is with unfeigned pleasure that we welcome these, and it is greatly to be hoped that their visits will, ere long, be repeated.

At our last election the following selections were made: J. D. McDowell, G. M.; A. G. Little, G. M. C.; M. McKennon, G. P.; L. O. McCutchen, G. S.; A. G. Little, G. T.; D. P. McGeochy, G. S.

Delta loses two men by graduation this year, but she looks forward to a fine year's work during the coming terms.

She can, at least, look back on the present year as being one in which she has carried off her full share of honors.

Our college has recently added to its many attractions a beautiful lake and an extensive park. Much yet remains to be done before these can approach perfection; but even at present, there is no more pleasant spot to be found for the whiling away of an idle hour than Lake Wiley.

THE CADUCEUS is truly a welcome visitor after its unusual failure to reach us, and we trust that no such misfortune as being deprived of its pages for even a day over time shall again befall us. The last issue has proven particularly interesting, and we hope that it may but continue to grow in interest.

But time fails, and, with a promise to do better in the future, this must be closed.

Fraternally yours,

MAY 5th, 1893.

D. P. McGEACHY.

EPSILON.

CENTENARY COLLEGE, JACKSON, LA.

Your humble scribe in perusing the March number of **THE CADUCEUS** received a few days since, noted a short editorial admonishing the correspondents of their respective Chapters for the non-appearance of their letters, also a well-directed thrust from the same trenchant quill aimed at the chronic croakers who lift up their voices against the non-appearance of our journal. Now, Brother Editor, having made mention of same in my last letter, and not desiring you to labor under the delusive impression that old Epsilon had within her classic portals any kickers or dissatisfied ones, it would give me pleasure to impress upon you that such was not the nature or import of her correspondent's illusions. We felt satisfied that we were not being intentionally overlooked, and therefore did not censure the Editor. The March number was received and read with manifest pleasure and delight by us all. We only regret that many more of the brothers do not lend their aid toward the perfection of same. Epsilon promises to add all she can in the future to its pages, not only by being more prompt with her letters, but also by sending and placing at the disposal of the Editor productions from her sons. Brothers who slumber, awake from your lethargy. Let those dormant sparks that lay upon the hearth-stones of your hearts be once more fanned into bright flames at duty's call. The placing of our journal above all others of a like nature should be of paramount importance in the minds of all who love and wear the Crescent and Star. But to the real object of my letter.

Everything is speeches and examinations here. The voice of the Soph can be heard at all hours of the day wearying the old trees of the campus with his silvery strains. Commence-

ment with its smiles, its flowers, and its congratulations will soon make its advent to gladden the hearts of the wearied student. 'Tis a grand occasion at old Centenary, and great preparations are being made for that gala occasion in the history of the session.

And while old Epsilon rejoices that the labor of another session will end with the advent of that epoch, she also has cause for sorrow, for that same epoch also marks the departure of our Seniors. Two of her noblest sons emerge from her portals never to return as active members. Bro. Collins and Bro. Gay are the two to whom I allude. With their departure Epsilon will be bereft of two assiduous, ever watchful, and dutiful sons, two who have never evaded the imposition of duties, it matters not how arduous they were. How can we but feel a pang of regret when the silver cords are severed. Seven of our staunch band will return next session, and in them will be found seven who are capable of guiding her through all the billows of adversity stern fate may place in her course. We leave for our homes on the 7th day of June.

Very fraternally yours,

MAY 8th, 1893.

J. WILKERSON LEWIS.

ZETA.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA.

The old saying that no nations are so happy as those which have no history seems applicable to this Fraternity Chapter, and Zeta would be happier if she had not the unpleasant duty of announcing to the Fraternity that G. B. Maury, whose initiation was chronicled in her last communication, is no longer a *K Σ*.

Barring this unpleasantness Zeta has held the even tenor of her way through the quiet winter and spring months. On January 21st Gordon Paxton was initiated. About the middle of February some of us went over to Lexington to attend Mu Chapter's *K Σ* german, and returned with an enthusiastic fraternal feeling for the *K Σ* belles and brothers of that historic town.

Bro. D. D. Hull, of Marion, Va., has been compelled to leave college by an attack of typhoid fever. We expect to have him with us again next session. Bro. Walter D. Taylor, worn out with the wear and tear and fitful fever of college life, has returned to the house of his father in Memphis, Tenn. Bro. R. P. Frierson, of Shelbyville, Tenn., has been suddenly called home by the illness of his father, and the Chapter's cradle is empty; baby's gone. Bro. E. P. McGavock is temporarily absent, owing to the illness of his mother. This looks like a general break-up, but it is not so. Zeta is still strong in college, numerically and otherwise.

Zeta stretches out her hand across the imaginary line once marked in blood, to give a fraternal hand-clasp and welcome to Alpha-Lambda; and her heart goes out to Eta Prime in congratulation of her palingenesis.

Fraternally,

MAY 1st, 1893.

JAS. HAYE PAXTON.

ETA.

RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE, ASHLAND, VA.

Nothing of especial interest has happened here since our last letter, and so we would have kept silence but that our Editor sent forth his call for a word or so. Accordingly, we now write to inform the rest of Kappa Sigmadom that Eta is still in the land of the living, and, while not boasting of so many men as some others, yet very likely to live for some time longer—we trust, forever.

The Chapter sends heartiest congratulations to our latest additions, and would urge them to endear themselves still further to each member of "C. L." by putting forth all energy to add other lodges where the Star and Crescent does not now shine. Those outposts of our Order have the place of honor and of bravery, and, of course, are not going to be found wanting.

Our next will, we trust, be of more general interest to the world of $K \Sigma$, and with this we would say * * * * * and farewell.

MAY 5th, 1893.

D. B. EASTER.

KAPPA.

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, NASHVILLE, TENN.

Spring is upon us once more and with it has come that most contagious of all epidemics, commonly called spring fever. The symptoms of this dreadful disease are too well known by all college boys to require description.

The remaining months of the term will seem to pass very rapidly, and June will be gone almost before one can realize it. Already the rapid approach of Commencement is heralded by the appointment of speakers for the closing exercises of the University. *K Σ*, of course, comes in for her share of these honors, Bro. W. W. Craig having been chosen by the class of '93 as their representative. Mr. W. B. Nance, *Δ K E*, will represent the Faculty.

On the night of the 22d of February an oratorical contest was held in our chapel to decide upon a delegate to speak at the Southern Oratorical Contest in Columbia, S. C., some time in May. Mr. S. K. Bland, *K A*, will uphold our claims to oratory in that arena, and he will do all in his power to reward the trust. The Vanderbilt University Glee Club gave their annual entertainment to the people of Nashville on the 23d inst. A large and appreciative audience was present in spite of a miniature waterspout and a young hurricane. *K Σ* is represented in the ranks of the Glee Club as she is in all honorable undertakings. Bro. Johnston is our song-bird, and his solo received special notice in the newspaper reports of the concert.

For the last time in the session of '92-'93 has our "goat" been led forth from his dark stable to be mounted and bravely ridden through the * * * * * by Thomas Demosthenes Rice, '95, Med. A plentiful supply of tin cans and other nourishing food will be purchased for "his goatship" by the Chapter in order to have him in the very "pink of condition" for the class of '97.

Our base-ball team is in training now for the approaching season. Capt. Conley, of the Nashville team, is coaching them upon batting, fielding, etc., so we are in high hopes of success upon the "diamond" this year.

Our Medical and Dental Departments closed during the month of February, and several of our boys have gone to their homes. We were not represented in the Dental Department, but were quite strong among the "Meds:" Bros. A. H. Wilson, '91; Robt. Craig, Bell, Crook, Burke, and Rice.

Bro. Robt. Craig received his diploma and left us a full-fledged M. D. All the rest except Bro. A. H. Wilson, who is an instructor, are '95 men, and will be with us again next September. Bro. Wilson is now taking a post-graduate course in medicine in New York. The departure of our medical brethren has made quite a hole in our ranks, but those that are left will keep aloft the Star and the Crescent, the badge of our Order.

Fraternally yours,

W. C. BEARD.

MARCH 27th, 1893.

LAMBDA.

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE, TENN.

Fraternity circles have been greatly shaken up at the University of Tennessee for the last three weeks. Two new Chapters have made their appearance in the Greek world at this place, and the present indications bid fair for the establishment of a third. The new Chapters belong to the $\Pi K A$ and $K A$ Fraternities.

We now have represented here at the University five different Fraternities, viz.: first and foremost in every respect, $K \Sigma$, $\Sigma A E$, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, $\Pi K A$, and the $K A$. Of course the old Chapters gladly welcome the arrival of their new sisters, and recognize the fact that Fraternities are not, or, rather, should not, be exempt from the universal law of the survival of the fittest.

In the interim, $K \Sigma$ has not been idle, nor resting upon

past laurels, for it is, indeed, the oldest Fraternity at the University. Two new brothers are the most recent product of her labors. George M. Smith and George Bernard were led through the * * * * * last month. Bro. Smith is a member of the Senior class, and one of the leading editors of the college paper. He bears the enviable title of being called the most popular man in college. Bro. Bernard, while young in years, is a most excellent fellow. He is a son of Col. R. F. Bernard, of the United States Cavalry.

Athletic sports are becoming quite a feature of the University. Although the ball-team judged it best, for several reasons, to withdraw this spring from the Southern Inter-Collegiate Association, it will be in the field next year to win.

Field sports come off the 10th of this month. Last year one of Lambda's men carried off three of the medals and several prizes. While not expecting such good luck again, she will not, it is hoped, be entirely left in the honors this time.

Lambda must take this opportunity of thanking her foster child, Alpha-Iota, for the kind invitation tendered her members to attend the brilliant banquet given at Athens last month. We have been highly delighted with THE CADUCEUS ever since it has been under its present management, with the exception, perhaps, of last issue, which, indeed, looked "kinder slim." It should take for its motto, "*nulla vestig retrosum.*"

JOHN RANDOLPH NEAL.

APRIL 10th, 1893.

MU.

WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY, LEXINGTON, VA.

We of Mu have been unfortunate in not having a letter in the last two issues of THE CADUCEUS.

For the January number our correspondent failed to send a letter, but one was forwarded to Bro. Warner for the March issue, but for some reason it was not published.

Just here let me say a word in regard to the negligence, for it is nothing else, of the twenty-one Chapters who failed to

have a letter in the last CADUCEUS. Brothers! we should reflect that the only means outsiders have of forming an idea or estimate as to what our standard is, as compared to the other Fraternities of the country, is through our magazine. Then let every member of each Chapter work for the good of all, and our magazine will always reflect credit upon the editors who so ably manage it and upon the Order.

A Chapter letter does not have to be a long, flighty affair; it is not intended as a mere exponent of the literary ability of its author, but merely to state, as I take it, as briefly as possible, the news of the Chapter and Fraternity life at the college, or, if no news, just a word to let us all know that the Chapter is alive and in good condition, or *vice versa*.

Our Chapter gave a very enjoyable german on the night of February 3d, about sixty persons being present. Supper was served at one A. M., dancing lasted until four o'clock. Bro. Carr, of Z, and Bro. Brook, of Lynchburg, were present.

Our rivals, the K's, followed in our footsteps, and, on the 7th of April, they, too, gave a german.

Bro. Jordan led. Bros. Jordan, Hudson, and Stovall formed the committee in charge. Bro. Hudson is also on the Executive Committee of Final Ball, which is the greatest social event of the year. He is also president of the Athletic Association, business manager of the *Southern Collegian*, our college paper, and manager of the foot-ball team of 1893-94.

Bro. Jordan pulls No. 1 on one of the college crews, and has developed into a first-class oarsman.

At an election held at last meeting of the Chapter, the following officers were elected: G. M., J. L. Hudson; G. M. C., John W. Stovall; G. P., Lawrence Cunningham; Guards, McChesney, Yarbrough, and Briscoe Peyton; G. T., Robert Owen (Y); G. S., James Clayton.

The Chapter had a very pleasant visit of the son of S. A. Jackson not long ago.

Bro. Eugene Mitchell, of Q, who has been at the Virginia Military Institute, has gone home on furlough, and he will be greatly missed, both here and there.

We all send greetings to Alpha-Lambda, and many wishes for a prosperous career and a long life.

I have two initiates to report. J. V. Nicholas, of Lexington, Ky., was ushered within * * * * * on the 12th of January, and Wilby Saunders, of Yazoo City, Miss., came within on the 14th of January.

Fraternally,

JOHN W. STOVALL.

NU.

WILLIAM AND MARY COLLEGE, WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA.

A death-like quietude seems to hover over old William and Mary College, and save the hurrying of students to and from their lectures, one would almost imagine that June had come and gone, and that the session of '92-'93 was a thing of the past. But this quietude is only "the calm before the storm" which will break out during the Commencement days, when the various banquets, celebrations, etc., will combine in making the two-hundredth anniversary of the opening of the historic institution a never-to-be-forgotten occasion.

The twenty-second of June will mark the close of the college year, and already the students may be seen, seated in the shade, "boning up" and trying to secure enough intellectual courage to meet that dread enemy—the final examinations.

This session was ushered in under most favorable auspices; more students are in attendance than of any previous year of her history; and the fair Goddess of Fortune has at last condescended to smile upon us the extent of a \$65,000 congressional appropriation.

Since we last wrote you, the representatives of Nu Chapter have again opened the portals of *K' Σ*, and ushered through * * * * * four men, who will be ever zealous of the glory and honor of the old organization. They are, in order of initiation, as follows:

George Preston Coleman, Williamsburg, Va.; Robert

Henry Tucker, Danville, Va.; Allan Campbell Tyson, Montgomery, Ala., and William Eugene Vose, Fort Monroe, Va.

This increases our number to eleven—a small band, but the rare and radiant maidens say a brave one, and we are satisfied.

Nu sends greeting to her sister Chapter, Alpha-Lambda, and thinks that her entrance into the realms of $K \Sigma$ should be the signal to draw the curtain around the ill-founded opposition to the Fraternity's entering the Northern colleges. Such opposition is, with members of Nu, as yet unborn. At least, all those who wear the Christian Star and Moslem Crescent should, in speaking of their Fraternity, say, "there is no North, no South." We expect—yea! we are certain to hear great things from Alpha-Lambda, for the brave "Green Mountain Boys" doeth all things well.

We hail with pleasure the intelligence that an effort will be made to re-enter the Va. A. M. C., at Blacksburg, for there Nu Chapter was once "monarch of all she surveyed," and many men were sent into the world, buoyant with the spirit of true $K \Sigma$.

We are sorry to announce that Bro. Stires has left college. In him Nu loses one of her brightest jewels, but he promises to call on us occasionally.

The relative strength of the three Fraternities at this College is as follows:

$\Phi \Theta \Psi$, 6; $K A$, 11; and $K \Sigma$, 11.

We hear that efforts will be made to establish Chapters of other Fraternities here during next session. Let them come; we are ever ready to welcome those bearing the banner of the Greeks.

We agree with our editor, as regards co-operation; without it we can hope for only a partial success. Let the Chapters come to the rescue, and, being firm and resolute in their purpose, work for the common good of $K \Sigma$. Then, and not till then, shall we have a success worthy the name. Nu, probably, has been rather too lukewarm; but if the good of the future can atone for the evil of the past, then depend upon us.

Yours in the bonds,

JOSEPH E. PROFFIT,

MAY 2d, 1893.

Cor. pro tem.

UPSILON.

HAMPDEN-SIDNEY COLLEGE, HAMPDEN-SIDNEY, VA.

We have been reminded by one of our old members that our Chapter letters have been very scarce this session, and your humble servant begs leave to say that is not the Chapter's fault, but his own.

We have lately had a very pleasant visit from Bro. R. L. Owen, formerly of our Chapter, but now of Mu.

There is a good deal of class spirit here this year. Each class has organized a base-ball team, and great interest is taken in the games. The Freshmen are somewhat ahead in that line, having beaten all the other classes.

One of the most interesting and pleasant features in the social life at Hampden-Sidney this spring was the class banquet of '94, which was given on the evening of March 4th.

The class of '93 has adopted the cap and gown, and Hampden-Sidney is now one of the two institutions in Virginia which has them.

$\kappa \Sigma$ is among the first in college honors this year. Bro. Shive received the debater's medal of the Philanthropic Society. Bros. R. Fleming, Fauntleroy, and Sheffer are three out of six speakers chosen from the Freshman class to declaim at an exhibition given by the Sophomore and Freshman classes on April 29th. Bro. Reeves Fleming was chosen marshal for the Oratorical Contest and Bro. Parker as Philanthropic marshal for Commencement.

In athletics we are well represented, having three men on the ball team, in the persons of Fleming, Fauntleroy, and your correspondent. Bro. Fleming has received the highest vote as the best player in college, and your scribe as the best all-around athlete and captain of the team. The class of '93 has the honor of setting on foot the movement to get out an annual this year, and we hope to make a great success of it.

With best wishes for all within * * * * *, I am,

Yours fraternally,

APRIL 17th, 1893.

WILLIAM FORD BULL.

PHI.

SOUTHWESTERN PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY CLARKSVILLE,
TENN.

We are just in receipt of the March number of THE CADUCEUS. To us this is the most interesting number we have had for some time. As we follow the proceedings of the Louisiana State Convention, we almost lose ourselves in the labyrinth of ecstasies. As we follow the details we stand, in fancy, in the midst of the whole. We hear the pop of the cork and the toasts bubbling over with wit and humor; we hear "three cheers and a tiger" given for our beloved Order; we are on the point—but just here some one interrupts us, breaking the train of fanciful musings, and as we descend from the lofty plane of music, flowers, toast responses, foam-capped champagne, etc., to that of stern reality, we ask our interrupters to carry us out and gently kick us for not being born lucky.

Next comes the founding of Alpha-Lambda. We rejoice in the fact that our brave Greeks are still marching gallantly on and laying territory tribute to $K \Sigma$. New territory has been successfully invaded and a strong garrison established that will henceforward protect against the attacks of "tyrants such as Cossa" all who direct their steps toward Bologna and seek to enter the * * * * *. The new Chapter has our best wishes.

Phi, as usual, is keeping up her record of honors. Bro. Ross is President of the Y. M. C. A., and has recently been elected Editor-in-Chief of the S. W. P. U. Journal from Stewart Literary Society. In the same society Bros. W. P. McLean and Lyle are President and Treasurer respectively. Bros. Ross and Lemly are Commencement Orators, while Bro. Lyle is Marshal; Bros. Stewart and McLean are on the base-ball team.

We are making efforts to organize an annual convention for our seven Chapters. Our Chapters meet for that purpose at Nashville, May 19th.

Between field-day, examinations, and Commencement S. W. P. U. is assuming quite a lively appearance. Our field-day is next Friday, May the 12th, and examinations follow in two weeks.

Bro. Webb (K) was with us two days this week.

It is with reluctance that we bid you farewell until next September, but Fate hath so decreed.

Fraternally,

MATT G. LYLE.

MAY 6th, 1893.

CHI.

PURDUE UNIVERSITY, LAFAYETTE, IND.

The last issue of THE CADUCEUS, containing a picture of our latest addition, Alpha-Lambda, has been received, and Chi feels more proud of K Σ 's journal with every issue.

We first learned of the new Vermont Chapter through Bro. Rich (A-Z), who has been on a tour with the University of Michigan base-ball team. We were glad, indeed, to know that K Σ is steadily and rapidly growing, not only in numbers, but also in quality, as there can be no doubt of the quality of men shown in the picture in the March number.

Chi is still without a home, as the building in which we are situated has not been finished as yet. We hope soon, however, to be again located in our old rooms, enjoying that which is most dear to Fraternity men: each other's company and friendship.

Two weeks ago we pledged Aldrich, '95, of Cincinnati, O., but have been unable to introduce him to the "Right Hon. Bro. William Goat," as we have no place into which "His Honor" would deign to place his foot.

On Saturday, April 29th, the Sophomore class gave the annual picnic of the University at Lake Maxincukee. Chi attended in a body, and had the honor of leading the opening grand march in the afternoon. At 12.30 we took a steamer and

enjoyed a ride on the lake, passing the time with song and a yell, which we have adopted as Chi's individual war-whoop :

" Who am I ?
Chapter Chi ;
Kappa Sigma,
Do or die."

After our ride we adjourned to the dinner table, from which we arose at 2.30 P. M. to lead the grand march and enjoy the dancing, which lasted from then until train time at 9.00 o'clock.

As I stated before, Chi had the pleasure of a short visit with Bro. Rich, of the University of Michigan on April 23d-24th. He is the left-fielder on the crack team from Michigan, and is an enthusiastic *K Σ*. We enjoyed his visit none the less, even if he did help defeat Purdue's team to the tune of 18 to 0, and we hope in the future to see more of our brothers from *A Z* than has heretofore been the case.

Hoping to receive our lot of THE CADUCEUS soon, and congratulating our Editor on his "push" and "get up," we are still, as ever, Chapter Chi.

W. R. Root.

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PSI.

MAINE STATE COLLEGE, ORONO, MAINE.

Since our last letter two "barbarians" have passed through the * * * * *. They are Frank P. Pride, of Westbrook, and L. A. Rogers, of Patten, both in the class of '96.

The bond that binds our isolated Chapter to *K Σ* has been greatly strengthened by the institution of the Chapter at the University of Vermont by Bros. Ferguson and Kittredge.

The Coburn Cadets have been reorganized, making two companies, and by this change Bro. Kittredge was promoted to First Lieutenant of "A" and Bro. Hall to First Sergeant of "B."

We will lose two good men by graduation this term. They

are Bro. Williams, the president of the class of '93, and Bro. Kittredge, who will have the class prophecy.

On account of the expense and the distance from the college, we have given up our hall in Orono and now occupy a convenient room in one of the college buildings.

We hope before long to have a Chapter-house, as a fund has been started for that purpose by our Alumni.

Fraternally yours,

LORE A. ROGERS.

CHI-OMEGA.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COLUMBIA, S. C.

It has been some time since Chi-Omega has had the good fortune to have a letter in THE CADUCEUS. However negligent this action may appear, this condition of things is due to our misfortune rather than to any fault of ours. Our college has been in such a disorganized condition for the last few months that not only was Greek life here disturbed, but its very existence threatened. The number of students in attendance is so small that many of the Chapters represented here maintain only a nominal existence. Some have given up the fight and surrendered their charter, thus leaving a breathing space for their more vigorous sisters.

We have been looking on the struggle with great interest, and never unmindful of our own welfare. Though we have added no new names to our roll, we still hope to weather the storm and come out one of the few successful combatants in the struggle for existence. We are only four strong, but are united in purpose. Under the circumstances, we have deemed it advisable not to attempt any accessions as yet; and we do not think it likely that we will this term. It is a matter of regret that many of our sister Chapters have lowered their standard in order to sustain themselves. Our course has been marked out, and it is one which we propose to follow, let the result be what it may. Our history in the past has proven the wisdom in a careful and

conservative course; and upon this policy we shall rest our future.

As a result of this condition of affairs there is little or no news in the Greek world here. The annual banquet, given by the Fraternities, will not be given this year. The number do not warrant it.

Our Chapter is now so small that we all have offices. The officers for the year are as follows: William D. Melton, G. M.; R. S. Des Portes, G. M. C.; R. M. Rawls, G. T. and G. S., and E. S. Douglass, G. P.

With this issue the present correspondent will resign his position. Bro. Des Portes will in the future have the honor of keeping the Fraternity posted in matters concerning our life and progress here.

While the writer of these lines is no longer a college student, still he takes a great interest in the progress and welfare of the beloved Order, and, as long as circumstances will permit, he hopes to identify himself with the Fraternity in every way possible. While the labors and duties of a more active life may demand his attention, he always desires to do anything in his power that will advance the welfare of the $K \Sigma$ Fraternity.

With fraternal greeting and best wishes from Chi-Omega, I am,

Yours in the bonds of $K \Sigma$,

E. S. DOUGLASS,

APRIL 3d, 1893.

ALPHA-BETA.

MERCER UNIVERSITY, MACON, GA.

Alpha-Beta continues to move forward in the highway of success and prosperity. Since we last made ourselves heard through the columns of THE CADUCEUS we have initiated Lawson Pritchard, of Tennille, Ga. It affords me great pleasure to introduce Bro. Pritchard to the Fraternity at large, for in him Alpha-Beta has a fine man, and one who will always be an honor to $K \Sigma$. By his initiation our roll is increased to six.

Bro. John K. White and your correspondent were the only ones from Alpha-Beta's last year's membership of eight who returned to college this year to support *K Σ*'s banner at Mercer. Since the beginning of the session we have added six worthy brothers to our roll, and in selecting our men we have endeavored to follow our watch-word, that of quality before quantity, and with very satisfactory results, too.

The Mercer Quartette sang at the opening and closing exercises on Memorial Day. Bro. Rabun, with his fine tenor voice, represents Alpha-Beta.

Bros. La Fayette Davis and Robert Corbin, two of our *fratres in urbe*, frequently come out and meet with us.

We hope to see THE CADUCEUS at an early day, it being almost our sole means of keeping up with the Fraternity at large. We are proud of our journal, and devour eagerly the contents of each number.

With best wishes for the success and prosperity of our beloved Fraternity and a hearty grip for each member thereof, I remain,

Yours fraternally,

MARK J. WHITE.

APRIL 27th, 1893.

ALPHA-GAMMA.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

Since the last issue of THE CADUCEUS, much has taken place in our Chapter. During the winter term three gentlemen received the pleasant sensation of the "goat," Bro. J. R. Maxwell, Bro. Jewett, and myself.

In athletics the University of Illinois is fast coming to the front. During the winter term an in-door meet was held, in which Bros. Dill, Maxwell, and Jewett were among the winners, Bro. Dill being the only one of the contestants to win two events. Bros. Dill and Maxwell are also showing up in fine form for the short-distance sprints this spring.

The ball team now being able to practice out-of-doors, is undergoing a hard course of training, and under the guidance

of Bro. Huff it is hoped that the University team will be able to hold her own. *K Σ* will be well represented on the team. Bro. Morrissey was chosen manager of the University Reserves.

Through the good work of Bro. Arms, at a meeting of the Western Inter-collegiate Athletic Association, held in the Grand Pacific Hotel, Chicago, it was arranged that a field-day be held here May 12th. Bro. Arms is President of this Association, and deserves much credit for his work.

Two local Fraternities have been located here, the *Δ Δ Δ* and *Δ Ν*. From the latest reports they are doing well, and we welcome them to the Fraternity life, hoping that they may have good success.

Yours fraternally,

HOWARD H. HASKELL.

APRIL 5th, 1893.

We are very sorry that our last letter to THE CADUCEUS arrived too late, and will try to make amends if possible. The first thing probably of interest to our brothers is the number of initiates during the winter and this spring term. Bros. J. R. Maxwell, M. E. Jewett, and myself were the lucky ones to be introduced to the honors of *K E*. Just recently W. S. Carr has been added to the roll.

While we have added to our number, some have left us for the field of labor. Bros. Aranda and Coffman have gone to Chicago to take their positions on the Columbian Guards. While we are very sorry to lose them from our fraternal gathering they have our best wishes for their success.

The University of Illinois is fast coming to the front in athletics. During the winter term an in-door meet was held in which Bros. Dill, Maxwell, and Jewett were among the winners, Bro. Dill being the only contestant to win two events.

The ball team after their work in-doors showed up in good condition when they were able to get outside, and under the management of Bro. Huff have much improved their condition, which may be judged by the score 6 to 5 with Ann Arbor. Bro. Huff is catcher on the team and Bro. Maxwell is our centre

fielder. They have both shown that they are capable of playing their positions.

Through the energetic work of Bro. Arms, who is President of the Western Inter-Collegiate A. A., the field-day of this Association is to be held here May 12th. *K Σ* will be well represented on this day. Bro. Maxwell has shown by his performances of late that he is a sprinter.

In the recent election of officers of the U. of I. A. A., Bro. Riley was elected Treasurer; Bro. Cornell, Trustee, and Bro. W. S. Carr, Advertising Agent.

Two local Fraternities were formed here during the winter term, the Alpha Nu and Tri Delta. From the last reports they were doing well. We welcome them into Fraternity life.

The recent election of officers in our Chapter resulted as follows: W. J. Graham, G. M.; G. A. Huff, G. M. C.; F. D. Arms, G. P.; F. M. Gulick, G. T.; H. H. Haskell, G. S.; A. W. Dill and J. R. Maxwell, Guards.

With the best of wishes for *K E*, I remain,

Yours fraternally,

HOWARD H. HASKELL.

MAY 6th, 1893.

ALPHA-ZETA.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, ANN ARBOR, MICH.

College has again settled down to its regular routine of work after a very pleasant Easter vacation of one week.

Alpa-Zeta is still on the boom. We have at present seven men who will return next year, also two Juniors pledged who will be initiated this week. We expect to raise this number to about twelve before college closes.

Great interest is being taken in athletics here, more so than in any other year. About fifty men are in training for the track sports, and we hope to make a good showing at Chicago in June. Our base-ball team has played six games this spring, and has won them all. Saturday last we defeated the D. A. C.

team by a score of 6 to 1. The D. A. C. held the amateur championship of America last year. We think we have the strongest team this year we have ever had.

Bro. Rich is playing right field and catching on the team, and upon his return from the team's Southern trip he reported a grand time at Purdue and at Champaign. He says *K Σ* may well be proud of both Chi and Alpha-Gamma.

At our last meeting we took steps for the purchasing of a house. The prospects are not only good, but it is a decided fact that Alpha-Zeta will have a house, and a good one at that, for her returning members next year.

At present all of our men are in the Law Department, but we are taking steps to gradually work into the Literary Department, so within a couple of years we hope Alpha-Zeta will be a full-fledged Literary Fraternity, as well as her sister Chapters.

With best wishes for the good of the Order, I remain,

Yours in *K Σ*,

A. M. ASHLEY.

MAY 1st, 1893.

ALPHA-THETA.

SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST UNIVERSITY, JACKSON, TENN.

The correspondent has purposely deferred writing our May letter until the results of our field-day were known. Yesterday was that day, and I am now not only able to report, but shall do so with a merry heart, for we *K Σ* boys were simply "in it." Our expectations are always high, but this time we went even beyond what we expected. Of the eleven handsome gold medals given to the different contestants, *K Σ* carried off six, while our rival Fraternity, *Σ A E*, took only one and a prize, the remaining four being taken by non-Fraternity men. We do not want to be thought boastful, but we cannot help feeling a little good over these victories. Our next care is that we may be able to maintain the same degree of excellence in the mental and oratorical contests that are to take place at Commencement.

We have taken in no new men since March, and probably

shall not initiate any more this session. $\Sigma A E$ continues to flourish. They now probably number thirty members, but strength is not *always* in numbers. A greater degree of good feeling between the two Fraternities exists now perhaps than there has been since our entry here, and I sincerely hope that this friendship will continue to grow. We have a large school of over two hundred in the collegiate department, and it seems to me that there is ample room for both Fraternities to steer their course and not run afoul of each other. We, however, I can truthfully say, have never been the leaders in contentions, and have shown the spirit of antagonism only when it became necessary to maintain our rights. For this reason we have had the non-Fraternity element in hearty co-operation with us from the beginning, and the favor we possess with the Faculty is also owing to the same course.

We learn that all our members in the Faculty have been re-elected for next year. Bro. Burke, W. G. M., holds one of the two most important chairs, and of course his influence in our behalf is great. Bro. Bain's is scarcely less important (that of Natural Science), while Bro. Todd will continue to "teach the young idea how to shoot" in the Preparatory Department.

News is exceedingly scarce at the S. W. B. U., and I shall have to wait and write the rest next time.

Fraternally yours,

F. L. DENNISON.

MAY 6th, 1893.

ALPHA-KAPPA.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, N. Y.

The fruit of earnest and faithful labor is being gathered bunch by bunch. This time it is my pleasure to report an addition of four more brothers to the ranks of Alpha-Kappa, and it is needless to say that success has brought satisfaction and happiness to us.

The latest souls rescued from the ranks of the barbarians are: Mr. Harry Hayward, '94, of Lockport, N. Y.; Mr. Jesse

Leonti Bliss, '95, of South Hadley Falls, Mass.; Mr. Chauncey Frank Lake, Jr., '96, of Titusville, Penna., and Mr. George Hoxsie Stickney, '96, of Buffalo, N. Y.

We can knowingly present them to our brothers at large as true and loyal men, worthy to wear the badge and to be accounted the faith and trust we have reposed in them. Brother Hayward has the honor of being a graduate of Mt. Hermon, is Master of the Chimes and President of the Agricultural Association.

When the college year opened last September Alpha-Kappa was but an infant of a month's growth (excepting the college vacation), and returned eight men to the University; we now have eighteen, and are proud of the record that shows a ceaseless advance to the stature of manhood in maturity, though still a child in age.

Our rooms are altogether too small to accommodate the band, and it is evident that another term must needs see us in more extensive lodging.

Recognizing the fact that so few of the members of our Chapter, and for that matter, of the Greek world at large, are thoroughly acquainted with the whole history and system of their brotherhood, we have earnestly set about a remedy of this ignorance by a course of study at each meeting. We thus hope to bring every brother to a thorough knowledge of and familiarity with the workings of $K \Sigma$.

Bro. Putnam has, for the second time, been compelled to admit defeat at the hands of this Northern climate, and in consequence has been laid up for some time; but we are thankful to again see his face on the campus.

Alpha-Kappa's officers for this term are: Warriner, G. M.; Bliss, G. M. C.; Hayward, G. P.; Bailey, G. S.; Powell, G. T.; Beach, Chap.; Benjamin, Cond.; Lake and Stickney, Guards.

Faithful to the bonds,

EDMOND P. BOYNTON,

33 Heustis St., Ithaca, N. Y.

APRIL 29th, 1893.

ETA PRIME.

TRINITY COLLEGE, DURHAM, N. C.

A card just received from Bro. Martin informs me that Eta Prime's Chapter letter for the May CADUCEUS is due, so I avail myself of a few spare minutes from "boning" for a law "exam." to give the general Fraternity an idea of our progress.

The close proximity of our final examinations causes a sober feeling of responsibility to overshadow us, and as "boning" is now the popular occupation, there is but little Chapter news of interest.

The era of prosperity seems to be continuing with Eta Prime; for since our last letter to THE CADUCEUS we have led across the "rustic foot-bridge," and ushered amid the glory of the $K \Sigma$ world three men, loyal, good, and true. These men are: Atlas Finch, '95; Bracton Phifer, '94, and Sam Sparger, '96. They are good students, good fellows, and, above all, thoroughly imbued with $K \Sigma$ spirit.

The literary work of the Chapter continues to be of more and more interest. Bros. Finch and Hartsell have been selected to represent their respective classes at the Commencement oratoricals.

The advent of spring brought its usual interest in baseball and track athletics. We are represented upon the former by Bro. Pierce and your scribe, who captains the same—also, the track team. The games of the latter were held on April 14th, and Eta Prime took the "lion's share" of the honors through Bros. Pierce, Hartsell, and Daniels, the records being especially good, equal in some events to the intercollegiate records of the Northern Universities.

We are glad to see that THE CADUCEUS continues to maintain a high standard of excellence. We look for it, for nothing gives a feeling of greater pride in a Fraternity than the fact that it has a newsy and handsome organ. We would urge upon

the Chapters more regularity with their letters to THE CADUCEUS. We enjoy them.

I had the pleasure of meeting Bro. McDowell (*A-1*), a few days back, in Raleigh.

I am, yours in *K Σ*,

MAY 3d, 1893.

T. P. DANIELS.

THE editor suggests the following New Year resolutions for the consideration of the associate editors :

1. *Resolved*, That in spite of sickness or death, the Chapter letters be written.

2. That, notwithstanding examinations, receptions, or other temptations of the season, the letters be sent promptly.

3. That the letters be so written as to be worth \$1.15 per page to print.

4. That requests for literary contributions be no longer politely ignored.

5. That such contributions be written upon subjects more pertinent than Theosophy or Egyptology.

6. That all communications be written in such form that the services of an expert hieroglyphist be not required to elucidate their meaning.

7. That the Constitution be read, pondered, and inwardly digested, and their lives ordered thereby.

8. That no communication be sent written upon more than one side of the paper.

9. That requests for money be regarded seriously, and not as humorous editorial effervescence.

10. That they forgive the editor her shortcomings, and have none of their own.—*Δ Γ Anchora*.

PERSONALS.

E

Bro. Loper is engaged in the mercantile business in Newton, Miss. Bro. Bavington is also engaged in the mercantile business, and was elected Mayor of the city of Franklington recently.

W. D. Wall has just returned from Tulane as a full-bloomed doctor. With him also returned L. N. Keller and B. M. Smith who have also received the necessary credentials for the administration of physic.

Bro. W. B. Gordy is now studying law in his native town.

Bro. Lee was recently appointed Second Assistant Superintendent of the Louisiana Insane Asylum.

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"Mr. J. C. Futrall, of Arkansas, the new editor-in-chief, is making the *University of Virginia Magazine* more than usually good. Its standard has long been high among its contemporaries in other colleges."—*The University Magazine*.

H

It may be well to state to all K Σ's that Herbert M. Martin (H), W. G. S., is no relative of Stanley W. Martin (N), W. G. T., and neither are in any way related to Duncan Martin (Ø), formerly editor of THE CADUCEUS. It is only by coincidence that so many Martins have been so closely associated with the welfare of the Fraternity, and there has been so much question as to their relationship that we explain that it is not a "family affair."

M

H. R. FitzGerald is holding a responsible and important position in the office of the Riverside Cotton Mills, Danville, Va., one of the largest concerns of the kind in the country.

N

George Edward Booker, Jr., is preaching in Sussex County, Virginia. He will enter Randolph-Macon in the fall to pursue his theological studies.

Willis Campbell has been canvassing Arizona and New Mexico for several months for the Chicago Book Co. He will resume his studies at William and Mary College in the fall, preparatory to entering Johns Hopkins.

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Duncan Martin, formerly of the firm of Scarborough & Martin, attorneys, of Dover, Tenn., is now associated with Bro. J. D. Casselberry, as Casselberry & Martin, lawyers, 41 Madison Street, Memphis, Tenn. Bro. Martin is well known to all K Σ's as the former editor-in-chief of THE CADUCEUS.

The leading society event in Knoxville for years took place Tuesday night, April 19th. It was the marriage of J. C. Neely, a prominent cotton broker of Memphis, to Miss Eleanor McGhee, a daughter of Col. C. M. McGhee, the railroad magnate.

R. E. Atkins is keeping books in the Clarksville National Bank.

C. G. Smith, Jr., is manager for the Eugene Glass Company, Chicago, Ill.

Hugh Love is in the bank of Yazoo City, Miss.

Jos. Dunlop is connected with the Rabbeth & Dunlop Mill Co., Clarksville, Tenn.

T. D. Schoolfield is a member of the firm of Schoolfield, Hanover & Co., Memphis.

W. C. Hurst is with John Hurst & Co., wholesale and retail grocers, Clarksville, Tenn.

C. W. Beaumont is in Texas traveling in the interest of a Louisville tobacco house. Waco is his headquarters.

X

'92. Bro. Norton is Assistant City Inspector of Electric Lights, located at Chicago, Ill.

'92. A. P. Peck, is situated in Chicago, engaged in electrical work at the World's Fair.

'92. Bro. Sloan has taken charge of the retail and wholesale drug business of the firm George H. Sloan & Co. of Indianapolis, Ind.

'93. Hovey Hanna, who left school some time ago, was united in marriage with Miss Jessie Weaver, of Ft. Wayne, Ind., February 23d, 1893.

Bro. Hanna is Secretary of the Ft. Wayne Oil Tank Company.

'95. J. W. Breyfogle is attending the University of Pennsylvania, taking a course in architecture.

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Edwin Parker is attending the Virginia A. and M. College, Blacksburg, Va., as is Bro. A. Hull Apperson (*N*), also.

X-Q

Paul T. McNeel is engaged in business at Yorkville, S. C., being a member of the firm of Beard & McNeel, grocers.

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'92. Bro. J. B. Hicks is reading law in Atlanta, Ga.

'92. Bro. Chas. S. Rhudy is in business with his father at Carrollton, Ga.

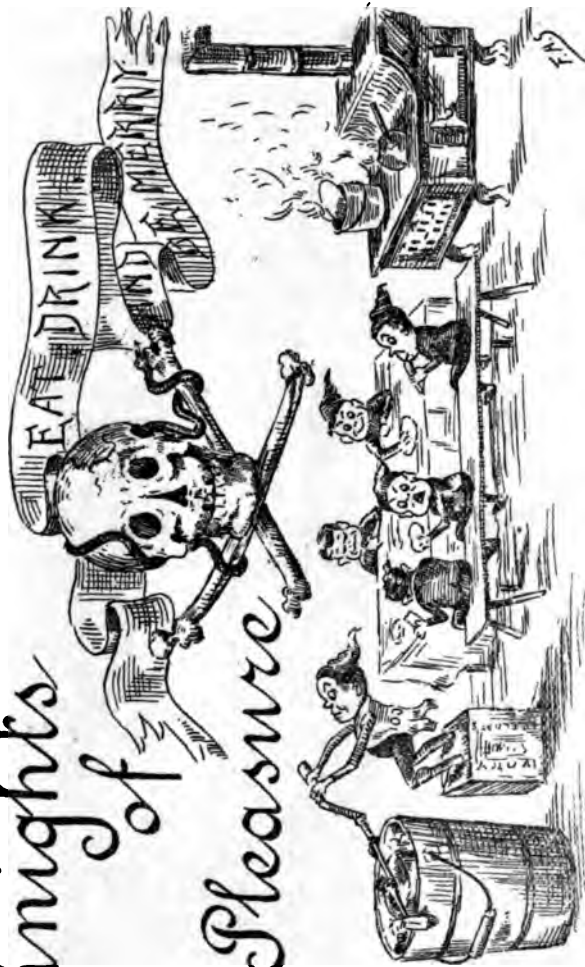
'94. Bro. A. W. Evans is teaching at Davisboro, Ga.

'94. Bro. C. D. Gallaher is in the office of the Georgia Railroad Banking Co., Rome, Ga.

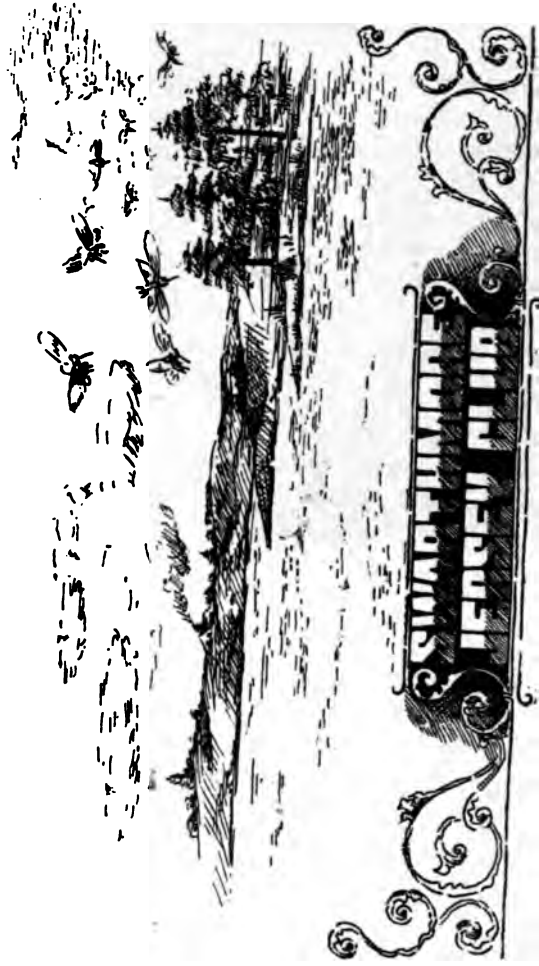
'94. Bro. O. L. Rogers is taking a course in pharmacy under Walker & Walker, Milledgeville, Ga.

'95. Bro. J. K. White is in business at Valdosta, Ga.

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COLLEGE AND FRATERNITY NOTES AND CLIPPINGS.

The Chapter of $\Phi K \Sigma$, recently established at Brown University, has no connection with the general Fraternity of that name, but is an entirely new growth. The Chapter is composed of Catholics, and it is intended to establish others at Harvard, Yale, Columbia, Cornell, and other universities. The Chapters will be named after prominent Catholic laymen. Some effort is being made to organize a Chapter in New York, composed of college graduates of the Roman Catholic faith, in hopes of making New York city the Fraternity centre, and, possibly, some day of organizing a Catholic University Club of large proportions.

The annual Convention of Section III of $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ convened at Salem, Va., April 27th and 28th. One of the principal features of the gathering was a large banquet and $\Phi \Gamma$ ball given by the local Chapter in honor of the visiting delegates.

$\Theta N E$, the Sophomore Fraternity, has lately placed a Chapter at University of North Carolina. This is the first Southern institution the Society has entered. University of North Carolina has eleven Fraternities and 325 students, and is one of the best fields for Fraternities in the South.

The number of local Societies has greatly increased in our Southern colleges. Now one may almost say that there are, on an average, two of these local Societies in almost every prominent institution in the South.

The college honors so far gained by the different Fraternities at Tulane are about evenly divided between the ΣX 's, $K \Sigma$'s, and $K \Lambda$'s. Our boys hold the following positions: Alumni and Class Editor of Tulane *Collegian*, Treasurer Tulane Athletic Association, Vice-President Freshman class, Vice-

President Sophomore class, first term, and Vice-President Tulane Athletic Association.—*K A Correspondent Tulane University.*

Oxford and Cambridge have been for nearly five centuries the great and almost exclusive centres of learning patronized by the crown and aristocracy of England. Men are sent there as much for the social associations which they give them for life as for what they learn. To be in Oxford or Cambridge is to be trained from youth upward in the very choicest circles of English society. Americans, on the other hand, are more practical in selections of schools, and care less for these social attractions than for giving young men a sound and substantial education.—*Exchange.*

Recent statistics show that women to-day average two inches taller than they did 25 years ago.—*The Arrow.*

Which goes to prove that co-education is successful.—*K A Journal.*

In point of scholarship, we feel proud to be recognized still at the head of the list at the Southwestern. Perhaps it is well, for the benefit of some of the readers of the *Journal* who may not understand it, to explain the local significance with us attached to the word "distinction." It is this: At the end of each term there is published by the Faculty a list of those who have made in the several classes a grade averaging during the term 90 or over. The following shows the status of the three Fraternities here, according to the last distinction list:

Fraternity.	No. Men.	No. Distinctions.	Av. per Man.
Kappa Sigma,	10	37	3 $\frac{7}{10}$
Phi Delta Theta,	9	41	4 $\frac{5}{9}$
Kappa Alpha,	12	60	5

—*K A Correspondent Southwestern University.*

An Inter-collegiate Foot-ball and Base-ball Association has been formed, embracing all the principal colleges in the South.

$K \Sigma$ has fallen in line again at Trinity. Her former Chapter seems to have had a successful existence from its

organization, in 1873, till Fraternities were excluded, in 1879. The same set of laws are in vogue at present, but, from indications, are merely nominal, as *A T Q* is likewise in the field, and seems to make no effort to conceal its existence.—*K A Journal*.

The University of Virginia base-ball season opens April 1st and 3d in two games with Yale, at Charlottesville. Mr. M. L. Smith, the University's widely-known first baseman, is now captain. R. D. Anderson, ex-manager of '90-'91, is again in charge, with M. M. McGuire as pitcher, an excellent man.—*University Magazine*.

Our annual, the *Corks and Curls*, has hitherto been published by the general Fraternities at the University. This year, for the first time, a delegate from the $\Phi \Delta \Phi$ legal Fraternity appeared at the first meeting of the Board of Editors and voted in the election of the Editor-in-chief. As the election of the Editor-in-chief hinged on this vote, ten Fraternities have withdrawn from the management of the *Corks and Curls*, and declared that they would take no further share in its production. They gave as their reasons for this step, first, that the $\Phi \Delta \Phi$ has always been regarded here as a quiz club, and not as a general Fraternity; secondly, that as the delegate from the $\Phi \Delta \Phi$ was also a member of a regular Fraternity, that Fraternity thus had two votes in the management of the annual. Here the matter rests at present. The case is a curious and interesting one as determining the status of $\Phi \Delta \Phi$.—*S X Correspondent University of Virginia*.

A bill passed by Congress gives William and Mary College, of Williamsburg, Va., payment for the buildings destroyed by the Federal Army during the war.—*\theta \Delta X Shield*.

The University of Oxford has appliances for printing in 150 different languages.

The Vanderbilt *Comet*, the Fraternity annual, will this year contain cuts of the various Fraternity groups, instead of the monotonous coats-of-arms which have hitherto been among the illustration features.—*K A Journal*.

A course in journalism will be given at Harvard this term. Professor Wilkinson, an author of national reputation, and a practical newspaper man, will have charge of the course. About thirty students have been enrolled for the course, many of whom have done work on newspapers.

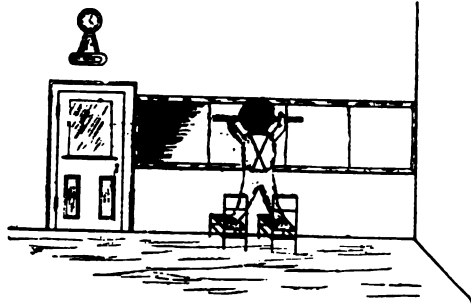
At a banquet of the $\Delta T \Delta$ Alumni in Chicago, March 18th, seven men were initiated as charter members of a Chapter at Northwestern, making the total number of college Greek letter-societies thirteen.—*Northwestern University Correspondent*—*The Scroll of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$* .

Owing to some internal dissension, eight of ΣN 's best men have resigned from their local Chapter. They now have seven active members and as a whole the Chapter is indeed weak.—*De Pauw Univ. Correspondent*—*The Scroll of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$* .

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$ observed Alumni Day on March 15th. It is a nice custom they have of bringing their Alumni' together in the various Alumni clubs on a set day to sing Φ songs, make Φ speeches, and eat Φ dinners.

In accordance with authority conferred by act of the Atlanta convention, eleven students of Purdue University were initiated on March 17th as members of the De Pauw Chapter of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. They will shortly receive a charter from $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ for a Chapter at Purdue, making the fourth Fraternity at that institution.

Daily papers announce that the President of Ohio Wesleyan University has ordered all unchartered secret societies to disband at once under penalty of expulsion from the university, this being brought about by some Fraternity hazing.



ENGINEERING UNDER DISADVANTAGES.

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JEFFERSON DAVIS.

THE reinterment of the body of Jefferson Davis, which took place at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Va., on May 31st, caused a revival of the love and enthusiasm of the Southern people to whom he was so dear, and has caused many Northern brothers to ask in what way and manner he became a member of *K Σ*. Jefferson Davis, Jr., was a member of Xi Chapter at the Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, Va. In the summer of 1878 he was brought down with yellow fever, which caused his death October 16th, after a long and tedious illness, during which he was devotedly nursed by members of the Chapter. Jefferson Davis, deeply touched by the attention and devotion of the Fraternity brothers of his beloved son, promised to grant any favor that they might ask, and at their suggestion became one of them, and was regularly initiated into the Order. Up to the time of his death, scarcely four years ago, Jefferson Davis took an active interest in *K Σ*, and aided

the Fraternity in many ways. At the Baltimore Conclave two years ago a handsome Fraternity pin was presented to his daughter, Miss Winnie Davis, so beloved throughout the South, and she has worn it ever since.

Jefferson Davis has passed into history. The efforts of some, at the time of the removal of his remains through the Southland from New Orleans to Richmond, to reanimate the passions of the time, were unpatriotic and inconsistent with the peace and charity that the grave suggests. The ceremonies were purely personal and sentimental; only the unthinking or the malignant would attempt to give them a political complexion. The love and ardor of the Southern people were ever true to him in life, in death, in sunshine and in storm, and it was but natural and proper that they should show respect and love for the memory of the valiant dead, one that bore them that great strong love when the cause he led went down in the storm of defeat.

Jefferson Davis was a representative character, the leading advocate of a theory, the chosen champion of a mighty movement, and the chief of a brave, heroic, and self-sacrificing people, and no one can deny that he deserved such personal tribute from his followers to an eminent degree. Nor will any just person question the fact that he possessed many of those noble qualities of mind and character which, by the universal sentiment of mankind, deserve honor and love. Could the voice, hushed in the silence of death, speak to-day it would tell of a love which he bore for his dear Southland in its gloom and sorrow that would soften much of the hatred of his bitterest foe—a love gentle, tender, and true. *K Σ* may well be proud of the illustrious dead; the South may well honor his memory; the North can at least be generous, and show its greatness and not its littleness of soul, for even his enemies must admit that he was deeply sincere, and though he erred, most grievously did he suffer.

"OUR CADUCEUS."

BY A. H. GAY, JR. (Φ) (E).

ALTHOUGH only a few months have elapsed since I was a college man and an active $K \Sigma$, and although it may seem to those who happen to read these lines that I am too fresh from college and too young an Alumnus to be giving advice, I nevertheless have at heart a desire to assist in advancing the cause of $K \Sigma$, and a love for the Order which makes me feel it my duty to try to instill into the minds of others that we should be "up and doing."

In the history of the American college fraternities we find that the greatest incentive to their prosperity and success has been the manner in which their respective journals have been published, maintained, and supported. No organization or association spread over a large area of land can work profitably and in the combination of its separate parts achieve success or permanence without some means of communication or some method by which the views and ideas of its members may be exchanged and expressed upon the one great object of that organization. Hence arises the great necessity of a journal among college fraternities. We are living in an age in which it is necessary to expand our knowledge, enter into new fields and enterprises, and advance rapidly in order to keep pace with the world. Fraternity magazines enable us to exchange thoughts, enlighten one another upon the workings of our Order, ascertain the advancement of different Chapters, and in every way tend to elevate the Order and impress upon the younger as well as the older members the great object and final end of the Fraternity.

The first question that confronts me with a bold stare is, How are we to improve matters? What steps should be taken to advance our journal?

In all of my experience of six years as a $K \Sigma$ I do not recall one instance in which a Chapter letter has contained any but the most brilliant account of the success of $K \Sigma$ men in

whatever contest they may have entered at college. It has always been extremely gratifying to me to learn of victories won by our men at college and in after life, and it is my sincere wish that such may always be their lot. But not unlike our worthy Editor's expressions in the May CADUCEUS, I ask the same questions : " Why cannot these same men devote *some* of their talents to articles for THE CADUCEUS ? " " Why cannot some of their thought, wit, and eloquence be exhibited to brothers far distant, that they too might be benefited by it ? " Is there any reason why our journal should not be filled with some of the most brilliant literary productions in the land ? We cannot expect our Editor to do everything ; he is able, willing, and energetic, but he must have the hearty co-operation and support of the entire Fraternity. No journal or paper can be successful unless it meets with the entire support of the people it represents. This we must give our CADUCEUS. A Fraternity is often judged by its journal, and it is certain that through it is wielded the great influence and power that stirs us on to victory. Individual effort is what is necessary. Prizes and rewards have been offered by our Editor, and efforts have been made to awaken an interest and obtain literary contributions, but all seem to have proved fruitless. I think that we should adopt a system by which our journal could obtain contributions. I make this suggestion, and hope that it may prove a means by which we can arrive at some definite method : Suppose each Chapter sends in its regular bi-monthly letter on time, and each Chapter appoint one active member of that Chapter to write an article on some subject pertaining to the work in college and his Chapter, this article to be forwarded bi-monthly with the regular Chapter letter. Then each Chapter appoints one of its Alumni bi-monthly to write an article on any subject of interest to the Alumni and pertaining to Fraternity work, etc., out of college, this Alumni article to be forwarded for publication with, and at the time as the other Chapter contributions. Then with the clippings, exchanges, and editorials I see no reason why our CADUCEUS should not be filled with interesting and instructive reading matter.

But there is one other thing that cannot be lost sight of in completing our CADUCEUS, and that is the financial department. It takes money "to make the mare go," and a full subscription list and prompt payments are essential and necessary. Why should not each Chapter solicit subscriptions from its Alumni? No $K \Sigma$ should be without THE CADUCEUS, and I am sure that if an Alumnus was reminded once in a while by his Chapter, he would be only too glad to respond to the call. "Nothing makes a man feel happier and more like a college boy again," says an old and venerable $K \Sigma$ of my acquaintance, "than after the business cares of the day are over, to glance through the pages of THE CADUCEUS and wander back over the merry days I have spent at college, and join with my old college mates in singing the praises of the past."

If I were gifted as some of our brothers, and had the power to wield the pen as some of them have, I would write an article for THE CADUCEUS every time it came out. But unfortunately for me and perhaps fortunately for others it is out of my line of business. I am a mere tiller of the soil, and although a college graduate and a victim of defeat in every literary contest I ever entered, I am nevertheless a $K \Sigma$, and propose to work for the old Star and Crescent as long as they shine upon me. Let us endeavor to advance the interests of $K \Sigma$, and as this particular department figures most prominently in our Order, unite every effort in making our CADUCEUS "equalled by few, and surpassed by none."

TENNESSEE STATE CONVENTION OF KAPPA SIGMA.

ON the 19th day of May, delegates from the different Chapters of Tennessee met in conclave at Nashville for the purpose of organizing a permanent annual State Convention.

Bro. Johnston (K) promptly called the Convention to order, and the house was immediately opened for nominations for temporary Chairman. Motion made by Bro. W. W. Craig, (K) to elect Bro. L. Rice (θ) carried.

Bro. Rice took the chair and appointed Bro. E. H. Magruder (ϕ) temporary Secretary.

It was moved and carried to appoint a Committee on Credentials, and Bros. G. B. Pugh (K); J. B. Gardner (\mathcal{Q}); N. Stewart (ϕ); and G. C. Bushnell (θ) were appointed by the Chair.

The Committee on Credentials reported the following brothers as delegates: from K , Bros. Pugh, W. W. Craig, Smith, Johnston, Ayers, Fisher, Beard, Kirkpatrick, Wilson, Rice, Robt. Craig, and Walker; from \mathcal{Q} , Bros. Gardner and Crosby; from θ , Bros. L. Rice, C. Rice, Enloe, Henry, and Bushnell; from ϕ , Bros. Magruder and Stewart.

The address of welcome was delivered by Bro. W. W. Craig, and was responded to by Bro. Crosby.

The Committee on Nominations, composed of Bros. Kirkpatrick, Gardner, Stewart, and Enloe, reported the following as officers, who were accepted: President, F. K. Farr (θ); Vice-Presidents, J. R. Harris (θ); S. B. Paxton (\mathcal{Q}), W. W. Craig (K), E. H. Magruder (ϕ); Secretary, G. S. Bushnell (θ); Sergeant-at-Arms, W. W. Green (\mathcal{Q}).

Motion made and carried that each Chapter have one vote.

Motion made and carried that President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, and Sergeant-at-Arms constitute a State Executive Committee.

Motion made and carried that Poet and Orator be *active* members.

The Committee on Nominations reported the names of Bros. Darby (θ) and Fisher (K) for Orator and Poet respectively. These names were accepted.

Bros. Johnston, Crosby, and Magruder were appointed a Committee on Constitution, and instructed to make an attempt to find the old Constitution and, in the event they were not successful, to draft a new one.

The following amendment to the Constitution was offered and accepted: The Convention shall meet annually at such a place and time as the State Executive Committee shall decide.

The following resolutions were offered and adopted:

Resolved, 1. That each of the seven Chapters of $K\Sigma$ in

the State of Tennessee offer a prize of \$2.00 or a badge costing this amount, as the winner shall prefer, for the best series of Chapter letters written for THE CADUCEUS in the years of '93 and '94.

2. That the State Executive Committee shall award the money or badge which shall be selected by the winner of the prize.

3. That this act shall take effect only in case at least six Chapters concur in the adoption of the resolution.

4. That in order to arrive at the sense of the various Chapters, the Secretary of this Convention be instructed to correspond with them and ascertain their views in regard to the resolution, and afterward inform the Chapters of the result of the correspondence.

The following resolution was offered by Bro. Kirkpatrick and accepted :

Be it resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that we disapprove of the action of the S. E. C. in granting to a portion of the students at Trinity College, N. C., a charter denominating the Chapter located there *H'* (Eta Prime). That we deplore the naming of Chapters by combination of Greek and English words, insisting that Chapters should be designated only by Greek letters. That we ask that the name of this Chapter be changed, and beg that in the future such names be avoided.

The Convention then adjourned to meet whenever the State Executive Committee should see fit to call it.

E. H. MAGRUDER, *Sec. pro tem.*

VICKSBURG, MISS., June 23d, 1893.

THE FOUNDING OF ALPHA-MU.

BY T. C. DANIELS (*H'*.)

RUMORS having reached us that some young men at the University of North Carolina were anxious to seek protection in their travels from "tyrants such as Cossa," I immediately drove over to the university to look after their in-

terests. Finding *all well*, I approved their petition, and on May 31st was informed by the W. G. S., Bro. Martin, that the petition had been granted and to *H'* would be accorded the honor and the pleasure of conducting the wayfarers through all the dangers that were so soon to beset them on their way to the "City of Letters."

As no suitable place or hall could be secured at the time at the university and upon their request the rooms of *H'* and the night of June 3d were selected as the time and place to bring the neophytes from the darkness of barbarism to the light of Greekdom.

Owing to the lateness of the arrival of the petitioners in Durham we found it too late to take them to a photographer, so we shall leave the photograph to be sent by Mr. Little with his sketch of the Chapter and the University.

Everything being in readiness at 8 P. M., we, *H'*, proceeded to usher within the * * * * * five men, good and true, and ere Sunday could shed its quieting influence of the Christian world Cossa's band had been once more robbed of their prey, and the name of Chrysoloros had been perpetuated into the hearts of G. R. Little, '94; G. S. Wittson, '96; M. Braswall, '96; T. Hooker, '96; J. Lewis, '96, earnest, active Knights of the "Star and Crescent," by the solemn obligations of *K Σ*'s rites.

Knowing very well most of the brothers, I can unreservedly commend them to the Order as being worthy to wear the badge. Among them are men of varied attainments in the university.

It was an occasion whose pleasantries will long linger in the brightest recesses of the memories of *H'*. Let us all unite in extending the cordial hand of brotherly love to these our new brothers.

We shall expect of them a bright and brilliant future, filled with great achievements in the Greek world; but I feel them fully competent to fulfill our most sanguine expectations.

IN MEMORIAM.

WHEREAS, The angel of death has invaded our number, taking away from earth our beloved brother, William Andrew McCord ; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the members of Lambda Chapter of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity, at the University of Tennessee, recognize in his death an irreparable loss. To be taken away while in the morning of life, with the dew upon the budding flowers of promise springing up before his pathway, just when he was entering into young manhood, ready to become of use to his country, and a comfort to his widowed mother, is indeed sad and mysterious.

But 'tis not for us to question the workings of the Providence of an all-wise God. His young life, cut so short by an untimely end, has not been in vain. He has left us an example of a pure and spotless career, spent amid the temptations and enticements of a college life, and the sweet remembrance of many deeds of a true and loving heart. We are nobler and better for having come in contact with him. By his death our earthly chain has been severed and a golden link welded into the chain that lifts us and binds us to a higher, happier life.

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved mother and sister our most tender and heartfelt sympathy in this, their great affliction.

Resolved, That these resolutions be placed upon the records of our Chapter, and a copy be published in THE CADUCEUS OF KAPPA SIGMA, in the *University Student*, and in the Columbia and Knoxville papers.

JOHN R. NEAL,
JOHN JAY BERNARD,
W. J. WHITTHORNE,
Committee.

INITIATES, 1892-'93.

I

- '95. John Bunyan Roberts, Natchitoches, La.
- '96. Harry Gamble, Natchitoches, La.
- '96. William Lewis, Ruston, La.
- '96. William Alexander Shaffer, Franklin, La.
- '96. William Frank Cooper, Shiloh, La.

J

- '95. Robert White McCutchen, Bishopville, S. C.
- '95. Luther Oliver McCutchen, Bishopville, S. C.
- '95. Milton McKinnon, Bossard, S. C.
- '96. Daniel Patrick McGeachy, Lumber Bridge, N. C.
- '96. James Edwin Mills, Camden, S. C.
- '96. William Moore Hill, Statesville, N. C.

E

- '94. Russell Benjamin Putnam, Abbeville, La.
- '95. Samuel Davis Wall, Jackson, La.
- '97. George Daniel Parker, New Orleans, La.
- '97. Elliott Wall, Jackson, La.

*Z **

Richard Scott Blackburn, Alexandria, Va.
Lawrence Chandlee Leadbeater, Alexandria, Va.
Walter Douglass Taylor, Memphis, Tenn.
Robert Payne Frierson, Shelbyville, Tenn.
Gordon Paxton, Buena Vista, Va.

*H **

George Lee Dillard, Martinsville, Va.
Thomas Wallace, Jr., Shelbyville, Ky.
John William Robinson, Graham's Forge, Va.

* No class system.

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- '93. George Coleman Bushnell, Chattanooga, Tenn.
- '94. John Royal Harris, Jefferson, Tenn.
- '94. Benjamin Augustus Enloe, Jackson, Tenn.

I

- '95. William Isaac Ford, Farmers Branch, Tex.
- '96. Lemuel Walter Evans, Bracken, Tex.
- '97. Arthur Alvin Cocke, Rancho, Tex.
- '97. Henry Edward Brencke, Georgetown, Tex.
- '97. William Richardson Bishop, Athens, Tex.
- '97. Ellen Patrick Bryan, Farmers Branch, Tex.
- '97. George Washington Chandler, Farmersville, Tex.

K

- '94. Robert Alonzo Burke, Jr., Dyersburg, Tenn.
- '94. Carson Tyrold Kirkpatrick, Nashville, Tenn.
- '95. Thomas Demosthenes Rice, Stokes, Tenn.
- '96. Lothair Smith, Cedar Chapel, Tenn.
- '96. Wilson Phillips Fisher, Franklin, Tenn.

L

- '93. George Meade Smith, McMinnville, Tenn.
- '96. George Bernard, St. Louis, Mo.

*M **

Robert Echols Jordan, Lexington, Va.
 William McChesney Yarbrough, Richmond, Va.
 William Lawrence Cunningham, Independence, Mo.
 Briscoe Woodward Peyton, Natural Bridge, Va.
 James Douglas Clayton, Georgetown, Ky.
 Ernest Alonzo Jackson, Salem, Va.
 Harrison Robertson Fitz Gerald, N. Danville, Va.
 John Van Meter Nichols, Lexington, Ky.
 Welby Carter Saunders, Yazoo City, Miss.

* No class system.

THE CADUCEUS OF KAPPA SIGMA.

Edward Braham Cunningham, San Antonio, Tex.
 Charles D. Winn, Winchester, Ky.
 Charles Wilder Watts, Portsmouth, Va.
 Branch Beale Morgan, Petersburg, Va.

*N **

Joseph Edwin Proffit, Danville, Va.
 John Womack Wright, Washington, D. C.
 George Preston Coleman, Williamsburg, Va.
 Allan Campbell Tyson, Montgomery, Ala.
 Robert Henry Tucker, Danville, Va.
 William Eugene Vose, Fort Monroe, Va.
 St. George Tucker, Colorado Springs, Col.

E

'93. C. Edward Hall, Dardanelle, Ark.

O

'96. Samuel Neill, Jr., Rogersville, Tenn.
 '96. George Campbell Peery, Tazewell C. H., Va.

II

'93. George Haydock Brooke, Rising Sun, Md.
 '95. Herbert Comely Mode, Modena, Pa.
 '96. William Bushnell Chapin, Washington, D. C.
 '96. Leo William Bierwirth, Dover, N. J.
 '96. Charles George Hodge, Washington, D. C.
 '96. Bouic Louis Clark, Sligo, Md.
 '96. Thomas Russel Gleim, Cornwall, Pa.

Σ

'94. Jules Joseph Boyle, New Orleans, La.
 '94. Thomas Henry Watkins, Jr., Hayes, Miss.
 '95. Joseph Downs Barksdale, Ruston, La.
 '95. Pierre Leonce Thibaut, New Orleans, La.

* No class system.

- '96. Charles Louis Monnot, Jeannerette, La.
- '96. Horace Generes Dufour, New Orleans, La.
- '96. Albert Cleopha Daspit, Houma, La.
- '96. James Robert Buchanan, New Orleans, La.

T

- George Pierce Garrison, Austin, Texas.
- Henry Louis Hilgartner, Austin, Texas.
- '94. Wilmer Sperry Hunt, Austin, Texas.
- '94. Charles C. Clark, Dallas, Texas.
- '95. Dennis Robert Walsh, Austin, Texas.
- '96. Walter Gresham, Jr., Galveston, Texas.

T

- '96. William Ford Bull, Norfolk, Va.
- '96. Archer Magill Fauntleroy, Staunton, Va.
- '96. William Pointer McGavock, Max Meadows, Va.
- '96. John Preston Sheffey, Marion, Va.
- '96. Richard Barnes Baptist, Covington, Tenn.
- '96. Rives Fleming, Richmond, Va.

U

- '94. Matt G. Lyle, Clarksville, Tenn.
- '95. William Heiskell Deaderick, Clarksville, Tenn.
- '95. Norman Stewart, Clarksville, Tenn.
- '96. Charles Davis Durrett, Bolivar, Tenn.
- '96. Frank Jefferson Love, Yazoo City, Miss.
- '96. Thomas Maury Daniel, Clarksville, Tenn.
- '96. John Howell McLean, Mt. Pleasant, Texas.

X

- '94. Alex. M. Carter, Knoxville, Tenn.
- '94. Edward M. Olin, Indianapolis, Ind.
- '95. Silas Barber Gregory, Little Falls, N. Y.
- '95. Roy S. Walker, La Fayette, Ind.
- '95. Albert Harry Thomas, Richmond, Ind.
- '95. John Clifford Whitridge, Richmond, Ind.

- '96. Arthur William Dill, Richmond Ind.
- '96. Rynd J. Lawder, Mexico, Mo.
- Lyndon W. Brown, Indianapolis, Ind.

Ψ

- '95. George Parker Cowan, Bangor, Me.
- '95. Percy Franklin Morse, Hampden, Me.
- '96. Frank Lewis Holmes, Bangor, Me.
- '96. Joseph William Randlette, Richmond, Me.
- '96. Nathan Emerson Goodrich, Orono, Me.
- '96. Lore Alfred Rogers, Paten, Me.
- '96. Frank Pearley Pride, West Brooke, Me.

Ω

- John Henry Cook, Apalachicola, Florida.
- Merrill Bailey Barkley, Indianapolis, Ind.
- John Martin Gardner, Martin, Tenn.
- Samuel Dalrymple Scholes, Jr., Springfield, Ill.
- Charles Delabola Fontaine, Pontotoc, Miss.
- Roy Morrison, Tampa, Fla.

A-B.

- '96. Elton Mathis Adams, Macon, Ga.
- '96. Robert Clayton Corbin, Macon, Ga.
- '96. Howell Garlington Leak, Macon, Ga.
- '96. James Davis Rabun, Norwood, Ga.
- '96. James Kinch Searcy, Talbotton, Ga.
- '96. Lawson James Pritchard, Tennille, Ga.

A-Γ.

- '93. Frank M. Gulick, Champaign, Ill.
- '94. George A. Huff, Englewood, Ill.
- '94. Louis Sanford Drake, Chicago, Ill.
- '95. Walter Scott Carr, Argenta, Ill.
- '96. Seeley Gulick, Champaign, Ill.
- '96. Cecil Harvey Sherman, Elgin, Ill.
- '96. George White Mitchell, Chicago, Ill.

- '96. Milford Elvin Jewett, Keokuk, Ill.
- '96. John Riley Maxwell, Keokuk, Ill.
- '96. Howard Hall Haskell, Mendota, Ill.

A-J

- '95. Maurice Newton Trone, Hanover, Pa.
- '95. Lemuel Lobb Johnson, Lansdowne, Pa.
- '96. Samuel Edward Morron, Arch Spring, Pa.
- '96. Edward Hoopes, Columbia, Pa.

A-E

- '94. Rufus Milton Barnes, Connellsville, Pa.
- '94. William Edward Langlois, Worcester, Mass.
- '94. John Richard Shannon, Mobile, Ala.
- '94. Thomas Frederick Watters, Akron, O.
- '95. La Barre Jayne Leamy, Philadelphia, Pa.
- '95. Wesley Leshner Blythe, Philadelphia, Pa.
- '96. Adolph Max Krakauer, El Paso, Tex.

A-Z

- '92. Richard Addison Hall, Weston, W. Va.
- '92. Frank Maury Wells, Portland, Ore.
- '93. Jay Marshall Lamer, McPherson, Kan.
- '93. Ernest Paul Bennett, Fort Scott, Kan.
- '93. John Edward Johntz, Abilene, Kan.
- '93. Byron Clements Thorpe, Cold Water, Mich.
- '93. Charles Edward Dedrick, Port Rowan, Ont.
- '93. Ernest Elwood Ford, Kansas City, Mo.
- '94. Joseph Edward Barrell, Grand Rapids, Mich.
- '94. Guy Leonidas Reed, Butte City, Mont.
- '94. Henry William Trask, Butte City, Mont.
- '94. Julius Curtis Travis, La Porte, Ind.
- '94. Albert Gurney Mills, Georgetown, Ill.
- '94. McKenzie Robertson Todd, Frankfort, Ky.
- '94. Charles Eugene Ward, Du Quoin, Ill.
- '94. George Washington Fuller, Potsdam, N. Y.
- '94. Jesse Huber, Bluffton, O.

A-H

- '93. Nathaniel Evans Fugitt, Washington, D. C.

A-θ

- Thomas Curtis Deupree, Jackson, Tenn.
Benjamin Hunter Gates, Jackson, Tenn.
Thomas Gratton Hughes, Jackson, Tenn.
Thomas Hugh Norvell, Brownsville, Tenn.
Hunter Wilson, Jackson, Tenn.
Jesse Joseph Harper, Jackson, Tenn.
Samuel McCutcheon Bain, Jackson, Tenn.
John Stockton Lindsey, Jackson, Tenn.
John Turner Murdoch, Jackson, Tenn.
William Black Pope, Jackson, Tenn.
'93. Zachariah Joseph Amerson, Toledo, Ala.
'93. Ernest Washington Essary, Chesterfield, Tenn.
'94. Thomas Ithamar Klyce, Alamo, Tenn.
'95. William Wallace Horner, Jackson, Tenn.
'95. Andrew Lee Todd, Murfreesboro, Tenn.
'96. Egbert Haynes McFadden, Covington, Tenn.
'96. George Hamilton Savage, Jackson, Tenn.
'96. John David Campbell, Bolivar, Tenn.
'96. William Eaton Powell, Mineola, Tex.

A-I

- '96. Simeon Sherman Hassler, Rocky Face, Ga.
'96. Samuel Ernest Miller, Johnson City, Tenn.
'96. Lewis William Cass, Elizabethtown, Tenn.
'96. Wilbur C. Bess, Pott's Creek, Va.
'96. James Elbert Chappell, Dell, Va.
'96. John Maynard Rutherford, Carryton, Tenn.

A-K

- '93. Jacob Charles Newton, Hamburg, N. Y.
'94. Claude Towne Benjamin, Burlington Flats, N. Y.

- '94. Earl Bishop Bailey, Buffalo, N. Y.
- '94. George Harrold Powell, Ghent, N. Y.
- '94. Harry Hayward, Lockport, N. Y.
- '94. William Henry Lighty, Ithaca, N. Y.
- '95. Asa Wellington Hawley, Vergennes, Vt.
- '95. Jesse Leonti Bliss, South Hadley Falls, Mass.
- '96. Clarence Wallace Gail, East Aurora, N. Y.
- '96. George Hoxsie Stickney, Buffalo, N. Y.
- '96. Chauncey Frank Lake, Titusville, Pa.

A-A

- '93. Tenny Hall Wheatley, E. Brookfield, Vt.
- '94. Frank Nelson Guild, Greensboro, Vt.
- '94. Bertie Duane Longe, E. Albany, Vt.
- '94. William Stuart, Burlington, Vt.
- '94. John Findlay Young, W. Glover, Vt.
- '95. Clayton Gerald Andrews, Richmond, Vt.
- '95. Theodore Eli Hopkins, Toledo, Ohio.
- '95. Leigh Hunt, Brooksville, Vt.
- '95. Norman Brown Webber, Thetford, Vt.
- '96. Otis Warren Barrett, Clarendon, Vt.
- '96. Carl Wallace Fisher, Cabot, Vt.
- '96. Harry De Witt Giddings, Burlington, Vt.
- '96. Joseph Benjamin Kidder, Vergennes, Vt.
- '96. Fred Milo Small, Morrisville, Vt.
- '96. James Wesley Boyce, West Burke, Vt.
- '96. William Samuel Hibbard, Glover, Vt.
- '96. Daniel Luman Parker, Bethel, Vt.

A-M

- '94. George Roscoe Little, Bethel, N. C.
- '96. Girard Samuel Wittson, Charlotte, N. C.
- '96. James Spenser Lewis, Goldsboro, N. C.
- '96. Thomas Pleasant Braswell, Jr., Battleboro, N. C.
- '96. Thomas Menan Hooker, Hookertou, N. C.

EDITORIALS.

It may seem to a casual reader of this magazine that the greater part of the editorials are the productions of a chronic critic and fault-finder. But the Editor would gladly assume the title of chronic kicker if the criticisms would only fall on fertile ground and bring forth good results. Criticism is offered because there are evils to be corrected—evils which if allowed to grow will ruin the standing and organization of the Order. There seems to be a total disregard of all duties devolving upon the members of the Chapters, both as Chapters and individuals. There seems to be a singular lack of respect among a great mass of students for the members of the S. E. C., the officers of the Fraternity, in whose hands the Chapters have placed the guidance of the Order they are pledged to uphold. They have been honored with such high offices because they are capable of working and directing matters to the best advantage for the Fraternity, and having such matters placed in their hands their requests should be promptly and cheerfully complied with. But what do we see on the part of many Chapters and their individual members? Here are men neglecting to pay their just dues, neglecting and ignoring correspondence on money or other matters, men disobeying the edicts of the S. E. C., and violating the spirit of the Constitution, men so soon forgetting their vows! Disgraceful is the only epithet to be applied.

How can we hope to stand among the highest and the best, with unsullied banner, if internal dissensions are thus allowed to work havoc? *K Σ* is an organization to which every individual, every Chapter owes allegiance, owes respect to the officers they elect. *K Σ* is not a collection of Chapters responsible only to themselves, and the neglect of duty of any one damages and breaks down the perfect organization by which we can only hope to succeed. If the Chapters do not like criticism let them see if their record is clean. Are regular meetings

held? Is the Chapter free from debt? Is all correspondence promptly attended to? Are the men sincere and loyal? Is the Constitution carried out in spirit and in letter? Are all orders emanating from the S. E. C. and others in authority quickly complied with? Though the Chapters may not like criticism, where else can be found severer critics than among the active members? Men out in the world more readily appreciate the condition of things and are more charitable. But the college student! Where can be found a more severe critic than a youthful critic—one who sets a higher standard than one who appreciates the true value of things—one who reckons not the cost?

And THE CADUCEUS; it can only do its best to bear up under criticism for delays and non-appearance, while the Editors, instead of having matter to edit, try their best to manufacture everything but Chapter letters, and there their courage and self-assertion fails them.

The list of initiates for the college year '92-'93 shows an addition to *K Σ* of 216 men. Of this number 133 come from the Southern States and 83 are Northerners. *K Σ* has been steadily branching out and growing stronger each day, and the coming year will undoubtedly show greater advancement. More brothers can now be found in the North, and Alumni Associations are being formed in several of the Northern cities, and this coming fall and winter much will be done in this line of Alumni work.

K Σ again welcomes another arrival in its midst. Alpha-Mu, the newest of the new, composed of earnest, ardent workers, will uphold the standard of the Order in the University of North Carolina. The best wishes of all go forth to them for success and prosperity.

The Editors beg to acknowledge the receipt of invitations to receptions and Commencement exercises sent by the different Chapters, the annuals, and also the annual letter from Theta.

This Chapter has issued a brief letter giving a history of the Chapter and a list of active and alumni members, and the whole thing is prettily gotten up and illustrated with a Chapter group and also a group of the fair admirers of the wearers of the Star and Crescent at Lebanon. The practice of issuing annual letters is one that could be cultivated with advantage to the different Chapters.

The designs for a flag promised for the July number will appear in a later number, when the Chapters will have an opportunity of choosing and voting for the design they think best suited for the purpose.

THE EDITOR'S TABLE.

The man who sits at the Editor's Table is taking a vacation. This hot summer weather does not agree with him. He prefers sipping cool things and talking to his fellows instead of perusing page after page of the many magazines of many fraternities. What can they be doing and thinking of these sultry dog days? Well, let them think; they don't bother him now. He is even too lazy to disagree with their inartistic covers and the bombastic utterances they contain. They are wise fellows, these fraternity editors, of course, but he is in no condition to discuss and review their wisdom and wit. And then the man who sits at the Editor's Table has moved. And in moving his goods and chattels he finds the exchanges will slip away among other magazines and books, seeking better company; and it's such work sorting magazines and books, and as long as he can find a pipe and a corner of the room that is free from disorder he is satisfied; and then the magazines that slip away into the crowd are the ones that contain pleasant allusions to the man who sits at the Editor's Table. The ones he can put his hands on now say rude things of him and his. Perhaps he deserves them. But wait, you should have seen this same man putting in the early part of his vacation—for he has had some already. How he traveled about that great Fair in the Windy City! How he walked the legs off his unfortunate companions, how he scented and hunted down fraters on all sides! Any one who saw him then might think there was hope for him yet. And he will have something to say later, but not now. He is still lazy and wants his vacation. And then again he thinks there are others far better suited than he to sit at the Editor's Table. And so he will seek other fields and leave the Table to one of his brothers he has learned to love. He makes his bow and withdraws, but before the curtains close about him—or the door slams—he

wishes to present the next man who will sit at the Editor's Table, Mr. Arthur Kaiser, of Cornell, who in future will use the pen and ink and shears and paste pot to greater advantage and with more grace than his predecessor could ever hope to do.

CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

EPSILON.

CENTENARY COLLEGE, JACKSON, LA.

The timely epistle of our Editor in yesterday's mail, purporting to the fact that Epsilon's letter was due, performed well its intended mission. Situated as I am, away down here in Southwest Louisiana, where there are but few whose minds have been illumined by the mellow rays from the temples of the Greeks, and noticeably few upon whose vision has burst the glories of our old Order, can you wonder that I am almost fanned into forgetfulness by environments so distant and repugnant to the feelings of a true Greek? Can you marvel that I find it somewhat difficult to delve into the storehouse of my scanty knowledge and present to my brothers those thoughts and suggestions that exert an interesting and instructive tendency? Presumably not. Why, then, do I write? To demonstrate to our brother Editor and the other brothers in a practical way the sentiments expressed in a precedent epistle.

The separation of old Epsilon's sons was truly a spectacle calculated to soften even the stormy hearts that pulsed with hatred and yearned for her destruction. "Cynic non-believer," witness such a sight, and say in your heart there should be no Fraternity, that they are snares for the innocent, cesspools of vice and immorality, and should be relegated from the institution of learning of to-day; say that, with the enlightenment and advancement of the present times, such antiquated relics of ancient chivalry and ancient ignorance should be abolished. No, methinks that even that venerable champion from the cohorts of the non-Fraternities who so ably sought to disclose to the astonished world the so-called vices of Fraternities would bow submissively and descend from his lofty perch.

But to things more expected of me. $K \Sigma$ will be repre-

sented at Centenary next year in the forms of about six sturdy knights. With the prosperity of Epsilon so much at heart, we need have no fear for her future, for I feel assured that they will work as becomes true *K* *Σ*'s for her advancement.

Bro. Gay, our late graduate, will enter the law department of Tulane University next year, for the pursuance of that study. Bro. Collins, our other graduate, although unsettled in his plans, we think, will shortly assume the sombre garments of a pedagogue.

With greetings to all, I am

Yours fraternally,

J. WILKINSON LEWIS.

OPELOUSA, LA., July 17th, 1893.

ZETA.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA.

Every man to his own place. The Chapter is disbanded, and Zeta's sons are gone their several ways, some to return, some not. The Old Mother's blessing follows them: *Macte virtute!* May they often return to renew their early allegiance at her knees. The scribe will chronicle only our successes, drawing a veil of charitable silence over our failures, which were far the fewer. In the list of the graduating law class appear the names of J. D. Johnston, B. L.; and R. S. B. Smith, B. L.; in that of the medical class the names of J. B. Davidson, M. D.; P. C. Fauntleroy, M. D.; E. P. McGavock, M. D.; W. S. Sayers, M. D.; and A. J. Wittson, M. D. In that of the engineering class, the name of P. Miller, C. E. We believe there is not another Chapter in the university that can show such a list of degree men. We congratulate our successful brothers, but we do so with a feeling of regret, for as they have fought a good fight and finished their course, their places in the Chapter will henceforth know them no more.

Our undergraduate honors are too numerous to mention. We prophesy that many of them will be chronicled in the graduating rolls of future years.

The general success of the Fraternity has been well paralleled by Zeta's year of prosperity at the University of Virginia.

JULY 5th, 1893.

JAS. HAYE PAXTON.

ETA.

RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE, ASHLAND, VA.

TO THE WORLD OF $K \Sigma$, GREETING :

The excitements and worry of examinations and commencement having at last somewhat subsided, I shall try to give some account of the doings of Eta, so that it may be seen that she is still alive.

Reviewing the year that is just passed I am free to confess that, all things considered, Eta has prospered. Although she got to work a little late in the beginning of the session, it was our good fortune to gather into our fold three men during the college term. While to those who are not here this may seem a small number, yet we are amply satisfied, and I am sure that, had it been possible for our old members to be present, their votes would have gone about as ours did.

In the line of studies it gives me pleasure to report that Bros. Terrell and Turner were among the few who stood "distinguished" on all examinations. This is an honor not to be lightly esteemed, for the examinations here are very exact and rigid in their requirements. For other laurels I would make mention of Bro. R. W. Buchanan, orator at public debate; Bro. S. H. Turner, vice-president at same; Bro. J. W. Robinson, three prizes on Field Day; Bros. Buchanan and Dillard, prominent as debaters in the societies. In three instances our men stood a chance for prizes, but were beaten, once by a ΣX , again by a "barb."

Eta is fortunate enough to count among her members certain fair sisters, and one of these entertained the Chapter most pleasantly a short time before Commencement. This was but the latest of many courtesies rendered us by this lady, and it is but fair that we should thus openly return thanks.

Our next session's number is not accurately known as yet.

We may lose several men, one, Prof. W. J. King, for certain, and whether any others go or not we shall deeply feel the loss of this one. He is a man worthy of $K \Sigma$, and we most cordially recommend him to all our brothers.

Trusting that the Editor will forgive the disjointedness of this letter, and extending a hearty grip to all within * * * *

I am, for Eta,

In $K \Sigma$ bonds,

D. B. EASTER.

IOTA.

SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, GEORGETOWN, TEXAS.

Our work is finished, and the brothers of Iota Chapter, who, for nine months, have patiently and pleasantly toiled together and learned to love one another almost as members of the same family, are now scattered far and wide over various parts of the State.

On the night of the 6th the last exercise of the Southwestern University closed, and the session of '92-93 became a thing of the past. On the following morning we bade each other a final adieu. This indeed was a sad parting, but the occasion was not marked wholly by sorrow; in the eye of each brother we could see a gleam of joy which bespoke a consciousness of duties well performed and victories won. This year is one long to be remembered in the history of Iota, in that it is the first in which we have fully realized every hope. We have good reasons for rejoicing, for we have done a goodly work this year. We have initiated seven of the best men in the University, during the session we were ably represented as leaders in the two intermediate debates given by the Literary Societies in the Commencement contests. Though only represented on two occasions, we took off one of the medals and did not fall far amiss of the other; and lastly, when the "blue list" was handed out on Commencement day we found that the $K \Sigma$ boys had made a distinction in every study without an exception. We were very much gratified, and received numerous compliments over

this last victory, as it is something that has never been accomplished by any other Fraternity within the history of our university.

Nine of this year's men calculate on coming back next year. We will probably open up with a membership of ten, all of whom have the energy, talent, and undying love for $K \Sigma$. We are already at the top, but we do not wish to rest here; our motto is "Onward and upward." We have striven under one disadvantage this year which we shall partially overcome next year—that is, most of our men are young, the farthest advanced being only Sophomores. Next session we will have several men in the Junior year, and we hope to participate in the honor of this class.

With love to $K \Sigma$ everywhere,
I remain fraternally,

OTIS TRUELOVE.

KAPPA.

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, NASHVILLE, TENN.

The college year of 1892-'93 has gone to join the silent majority, and even at this early date the "grave and reverend Seniors" who were successful enough to win a "sheepskin," whether at Vanderbilt or any other institution of learning, are now planning to run the earth by some original method unknown and unthought of by the Greek philosophers, or at least to account for the calorific power of the sun by some hypothesis going far beyond the limits of Bacon's *Theory of Induction*, and totally beyond ancient and modern experience.

Bro. Wesley Craig is one of Kappa's offspring who will doubtless add some new element to the science of Chemistry or discover some new planet whirling around among the already densely populated "heavens." Nevertheless $K \Sigma$'s in general, and Kappa Chapter in particular, may well be proud of the athlete, scholar, and "all around good man" which Bro. Craig represents. In athletics he is a leader: for three years he has played on the "'Varsity" eleven, while not a Field Day passes

that he does not capture for us at least one medal, and generally two. On the last Field Day he brought the record of the 440 yards dash to 55 seconds with the greatest ease.

But not only on the athletic field is Bro. Craig a "phenom.;" in the class-room he is always found near the front. In '91-'93 it fell to his lot to win the Crawford prize of \$100—for the best student in the Junior Class, and this year he was chosen class representative by the Class of '93.

Bro. A. H. Wilson, who received his M. S. this year, will not return next year, but will probably pursue his studies at some other institution.

J. H. Dinning, ΣN , was the Founders' Medalist, while W. B. Nance, $\Delta K E$, was the Faculty representative for the class.

Vanderbilt has had an "off" year in athletics this year, but it was in no way due to a lack of interest among the student body, rather to "hard luck" than anything else.

Our outlook is not so bright as it might be for '93-'94, but the same old "spike" that has plucked so many good men from the "barb" host, will certainly do just as bloody work as ever. We are all out "scouting" for new material and shall spend the summer in the same pleasurable business, for we know no business or amusement more pleasing than "spiking" and "riding" any worthy material.

Yours in $K \Sigma$,

JUNE 25th, 1893.

W. E. BEARD.

LAMBDA.

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE, TENN.

The college year at the University of Tennessee, just brought to a close by the Commencement exercises of June 7th, has been one of unusual activity in Fraternity circles. Two new Chapters have made their appearance, been kindly greeted by the old Chapters, and safely weathered the reefs and quicksands by which every Chapter is threatened during the first year of its existence. The men who formed the material out of which

these new Chapters were founded, while perhaps not possessing all the qualities which would enable them to become members of the older Chapters, are, nevertheless, good men, and should be gladly welcomed into the Greek world.

The $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ Chapter here has given up its charter. This Chapter, next to Lambda, is the oldest one at the University, and up to this year has always been in a very flourishing condition.

Three of Lambda's men received their bachelor degrees this year: Bros. Bernard, G. M. Smith, and J. R. Neal.

Bro. Bernard has been offered the position of assistant chemist by the University authorities, but has not yet decided to accept. Should he not return to University it will be a severe blow to Lambda, as he has been the life of the Chapter for the last two years. Bro. Smith will attend the law school at Vanderbilt or Lebanon. Our loss will be their gain. All the other brothers will return.

The following were the officers elected immediately before adjournment for the summer vacation: J. R. Neal, G. M.; J. J. Bernard, G. M. C.; J. P. Brown, G. P.; G. M. Smith, G. S.; W. J. Whitthorne, G. T.; G. R. Bernard, G. C.

JOHN R. NEAL.

RHEA SPRINGS, TENN., July 11th, 1893.

NU.

WILLIAM AND MARY COLLEGE, WILLIAMSBURG, VA.

For the two-hundredth time has historic old William and Mary thrown wide open her doors to welcome the vast concourse of people that assembled to witness her various celebrations.

Truly, may it be said, that session of '92-'93 has been the brightest jewel that time has added to the coronet of William and Mary. Under the wise management of President Tyler, whose name is synonymous with that of our beloved Order, old William and Mary has arisen from her lingering lethargy and with three-fold vigor has burst forth into living, breathing

progress. But a Chapter letter is not the place to speak of the progress of a college; rather let us lift the mysterious veil which hovers over our pan-Hellenic circle at William and Mary.

Nu Chapter has kept pace with William and Mary's onward march, and were we to meet with successes in the future similar to those of '92-'93, we would soon begin to believe with one of our Worthy Grand officers that Nu is the best Chapter in the Fraternity; but our extreme modesty will not allow us to believe this at present; for we recognize the fact that Nu is not, has not been, but *can and must be* the banner Chapter of Kappa Sigma, and to this end we are striving.

The final celebration of the Philomathean Society was given on the evening of June 19th. We were represented in the declamation contest by Bro. Wright. He acquitted himself nobly, and at the close of his brilliant effort a beautiful medal was presented him as the best declaimer in the Philomathean Society.

The members of the Phoenix Society gave their annual celebration on the evening of June 20th, and an immense crowd of people had assembled to hear the oratorical efforts of these modern Phœnicians. The exercises were good throughout, but that which most claimed the attention of every Greek was the oratorical contest. Here "Greek met Greek," and fought for supremacy. We were represented by our own invincible "Dick" Farrar, whose oration was a paragon of beauty, grace, and logic. At the close he was met by prolonged and vociferous applause, and the gavel of the chairman was in vain; such an ovation has never been accorded a student at William and Mary. Although he met a "foe worthy of his steel," he now wears the medal as the best orator in the Phoenix Society. Many old heads say that Bro. Farrar's oration was the most masterly effort ever heard from a school-boy.

A few nights before the close of school we invaded the ranks of the barbarian horde, and conducted through the * * * * into the pristine light of K Σ Mr. St. George Tucker, of Colorado Springs, Col. He is a fine fellow, and we have added another jewel to the ever-brightening record of K Σ.

The *K* *Σ*'s held their banquet on Tuesday night, June 20th. Bro. Tiernon represented our Fraternity, and responded to the toast, "Kappa Sigma." The banquet was a grand affair, accompanied by still grander success—a success well deserved.

On Wednesday, June 21st, the two hundredth anniversary of the granting of William and Mary's charter, the bi-centennial celebration, was held. Many distinguished men, Alumni and admirers, were present and participated in the ceremonies.

On Thursday, June 22d, the medals, degrees, and diplomas were delivered. Bro. St. George Tucker received one of the scholarships for general excellence in his studies, Bro. Tiernon received his degree as Licentiate of Instruction, Bro. Humphreys graduated in the Science Department, and Bro. R. H. Tucker leaves college with the proud distinction of being the youngest Bachelor of Arts who has ever gone forth from the halls of William and Mary.

On Thursday evening, June 22d, a delightful reception was given at the house of Dr. C. W. Coleman, in honor of Nu Chapter.

The event of the season came off on Friday night, June 23d. It was the banquet of *K* *Σ*. Spencer's Hotel had put on quite a gala-day appearance. Colors, gracefully festooned, swung from balcony to balcony, and the gentle strains of the band made us feel as if life had just begun. Many a dainty maiden could be seen with the Star and Crescent's many-colored jewels dazzling from her breast, while one might see the badge of another order upon some fair banqueter's bosom; but however this may be, they were all Greeks, and had come together for the purpose of having a good time, and they had it.

Those present are too numerous to mention; those who gave toasts are as follows: "William and Mary," responded to by F. S. Farrar; "The Faculty," by Dr. C. E. Bishop; "The Alumni," by President Lyon G. Tyler; "Kappa Sigma," by Bro. Wright; "Our Absent Brothers and the Ladies," by Bro. Lindsay Bibb; "Kappa Alpha," by George W. Mapp; and "Phi Theta Psi," by Hurt Jordan. Bro. Tiernon, in his ever-graceful manner, acted as toast-master. We tripped "the light.

fantastic toe" until "the wee sma' hours," when, with "three cheers and a tiger" for Nu Chapter, we dispersed—session of '92-'93 was no more.

Nu sends greeting to her sister chapter, Alpha-Mu. It makes our hearts glad to know that *K Σ* is securing such a foothold in the old North State. With such barriers we can resist barbarian aggression until time's last day.

We have said "good-bye" to some of our brothers—perhaps forever! It was sad, but we cannot be school-boys always. Following is a list of those who will return to fight the battle for *K Σ*: Bros. Humphreys, Vose, Tyson, Lash, Wright, R. H. Tucker, St. George Tucker, and Proffit. With love to all within the * * * * I am yours in the bonds,

JOSEPH E. PROFFIT.

DANVILLE, VA., June 30th, 1893.

PI.

SWARTHMORE COLLEGE, SWARTHMORE, PA.

Since our last report we have initiated Bouie Clark, of Sligo, Md., and Russel Gleim, of Pennsylvania. They are both good men in every particular, and will make Pi two good, honest workers.

The graduating class this year was about the usual size, numbering twenty-three, amongst whom was Bro. Brooke. Bro. Brooke has perhaps done more for Swarthmore in the way of athletics than any man who has been there for years. He proposes entering the University of Pennsylvania this fall, and will be a very promising candidate for the university foot-ball team.

Swarthmore won the State Inter-Collegiate Athletic Cup this year again by a large margin of points. The new colleges which have entered the league this year made a good showing. The league seems to be glowing with interest, and her future prospects look very bright.

The *K K Γ* Sorority was instituted at Swarthmore just before Commencement with seven charter members and four initiates before the close of the year. This makes three Fraternities for

the young women and the same number for the young men. We sincerely hope that they may all prosper, but it seems to the writer that it is too many Fraternities for two hundred students.

This perhaps will be the last Chapter letter that it will be my pleasure to write, as I do not expect to return to college. But Pi will return five brothers who will guide her through the next year, the prospects next year being much brighter than they were during the past.

Yours fraternally,

A. E. BLACKBURN.

SIGMA.

TULANE UNIVERSITY, NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Commencement has come and gone, and the busy hum of the class-room is now to give way to the innocent seaside flirtation. The weary, yet beneficial, hours which we spent "cramming" for examinations are a thing of the past, and now three of Sigma's sons are titled graduates of the great Tulane University.

It would be well to say a few words of the honors that $K \Sigma$ has reaped at the University since our last report.

Out of five medals awarded by the Glendy Burke Literary Society at its last exercises, $K \Sigma$ captured two, Bro. Daspit being the worthy recipient of the orator's medal, while Bro. H. G. Dufour, in a debate in which three Seniors were his opponents, was declared the winner of one of the two medals given for debate. Bro. Dufour is only fifteen years of age and a Freshman, and his well-earned victory reflected no small lustre on the Chapter of which he is a member.

The annual spring games of the Tulane Athletic Association were held at the fair grounds on the 30th of April, and the undivided opinion of all those who attended the games is that they were the most interesting and best managed in the history of Tulane.

Bro. Daspit is the President of the T. A. A., and to his untiring efforts the success of the games was largely due. Bros.

P. A. Thibaut and J. R. Buchanan were on the executive committee, and Bro. Martinez was on the field committee. Bro. Thibaut was also chairman of the invitation committee.

The feature of the games was a relay race of one-half mile; each class brought forth its four fleetest runners, and each runner was to cover the distance of 220 yards; the Seniors, Juniors, Sophomores, and Freshmen were represented. The race was won by the Seniors. Bros. Daspit and Pierson were on the Senior team.

The Commencement exercises of Tulane University took place on the 15th of this month, at the Grand Opera House. Bros. Pierson, Daspit, and Thibaut received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Bro. Daspit was also one of the four Commencement speakers, and his masterly effort was received enthusiastically by both the audience and the Faculty.

A few days before the Commencement, three important events took place: first, the Senior dinner, at which Bro. Pierson, the president of his class, acted as toast-master. There was also the Alumni dinner, to which the Graduating Class of '93 had been invited, and Bro. Daspit had the honor to be chosen by the Alumni to respond to the address of welcome.

And now we come to the annual elections of the Tulane Magazine Company. Bro. P. Arthur Thibaut and Mr. Pierce Butler, of the *A T A* Fraternity, were the candidates for the important position of Alumni editor of the *Tulane Collegian*. Four Fraternities supported Mr. Butler, while only two sided with Bro. Thibaut.

The *A T Q*'s, *A T A*'s, *Φ A Θ*'s, and *Σ X*'s had united their forces to try and shut out *K A* and *K Σ* from representation on the magazine.

In spite of the efforts of these Fraternities to gobble up everything, *K A* and *K Σ* came out on top, as usual. Mr. Paul Conrad, Jr., of the *K A*'s, was elected Financial Secretary, and Bro. Thibaut was elected Alumni Editor by the somewhat close vote of 127 to 124.

We could not very well close this letter without alluding to the successes of our "Right Hon. Bro. William Goat." He

too has done his duty. With his characteristic charity and swiftness, he has sent three worthy "barbs" through the "Twelfth Gate," and it is with sentiments of pride and pleasure that I introduce them to all true and loyal *K Σ's*. Our new brothers' names are: Alfred Holt, Charles Earle Hester, and Herman Loeber.

Bro. Holt is the son of the distinguished sanitarian, Dr. Holt, who is so well known and respected in New York and New Orleans, and who has gained extensive report through his system of quarantine. Bro. Hester is the son of Mr. H. G. Hester, Secretary of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange. Bro. Loeber is the brother of one of our men, Fred. Loeber, and the son of Dr. Loeber, one of the most distinguished members of the medical profession in New Orleans.

I will close this fraternal chat, wishing a most pleasant summer to all *K Σ's*, and particularly to Bros. Martin and Warner, through whose efforts **THE CADUCEUS** has reached such a high degree of excellence that it is at present not only looked on with pride by *K Σ's*, but meets with the most favorable comments from rival Fraternities. Three cheers for Warner and Martin!

Yours very fraternally,

P. ARTHUR THIBAUT.

JUNE 17th, 1893.

UPSILON.

HAMPDEN-SIDNEY COLLEGE, HAMPDEN-SIDNEY, VA.

The May number of **THE CADUCEUS** reached us some time ago and we enjoyed it very much. We want to compliment Bro. Warner, not only on the excellence of the magazine, but on his promptness in getting it out. I think no Fraternity journal now comes out more promptly than **THE CADUCEUS**.

Hampden-Sidney has been unusually quiet for the last few months. The monotony of Fraternity life has only been broken by the advent of a new secret society, called "Gamma-Kappa." It appears to be a junior class Fraternity and draws its mem-

bership from '93 and '94. Hampden-Sidney is getting out an annual this year to be called the *Kaleidoscope*.

Examinations are upon us and everybody is busy "cramming" for them, but we have the consolation of knowing that in one short week all that work will be over and we can give ourselves up to the pleasures of Commencement.

We will be represented by Bro. Shive, who carries off the Sophomore debaters' medal in the Philanthropic Society, and Bro. Parker, who is one of the marshals. We were very sorry to bid farewell to Bro. Lewis Fleming, who left college last month on account of sickness.

Bro. McGavock was called away a short time since by the sickness and death of his mother.

Bro. Converse takes his A. B. this year and will not return another session. Notwithstanding our losses, Upsilon's prospects were never better. She will continue to hold a high place in society on the "Hill" and among the Fraternities. Our position in society will be seen when I speak of the five sweet girls who wear our badge, and exert over us that restraining and ennobling influence such as only sisters can.

We expect to have some of Delta's men with us, at Union Theological Seminary next year, and hope she will send us more men like Bro. R. E. C. Lawson, who was here last year.

We enjoyed a flying visit from Bro. Griffin Bull the first of the month. He is now preaching at Cuthbert, Ga. I think it would be well for all the Chapters to adopt the resolutions about Chapter letters, printed in the last CADUCEUS. For our part we never intend to be behind time again.

With best wishes for a happy vacation, I am,

Yours fraternally,

JUNE 12th, 1893.

HENRY A. CONVERSE.

PHI.

SOUTHWESTERN PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY, CLARKSVILLE,
TENN.

When I wrote my last letter to THE CADUCEUS I was under the impression that I would not be called upon to write

another letter before the session of '93-'94 opened. I was not a little surprised when, on the receipt of the last number issued, one of the boys came to me and told me that again I would have to bore the readers of THE CADUCEUS with a letter. However, permit me to say that it was an agreeable surprise. But what bothers me is knowing just what to write and what to leave out, so much has transpired since my last letter. I suppose the best plan will be to take up the most important events, or as many as possible without encroaching on the space allotted me.

First in order is our field-day exercises, which were very interesting—more so than usual—and which passed off pleasantly and satisfactorily to all. Bro. T. M. Daniel carried off the prize for the mile run. He is the youngest man in our Chapter. Bros. Magruder, W. P. McLean, and Lemley were marshals.

Following field-day was the convention of the Chapters of Tennessee, at Nashville. The result of this meeting was the inauguration of an annual State Convention with the election of requisite officers. I suppose the details will be found elsewhere in this number of THE CADUCEUS. This is good step and marks the progress of our Chapters.

Next comes examinations, which were successfully passed. These were, as a matter of course, followed by the Commencement exercises, pronounced by all a decided success—far superior to any previous exercises. The chief feature of Commencement was the exercises of the Class of '93. This is the first organized class ever known within the walls of old Southwestern Presbyterian University. Bro. Ross was chaplain and opened the exercises with an earnest and fervent prayer. Later on in the programme Bro. Lemley held the audience spell-bound with his brilliant oration. He is a splendid speaker and acquitted himself with credit.

Three of our men graduated this year—Bros. Ross and McLean taking the degree of A. B., and Bro. Lemley that of B. Ph. Bros. Ross and Lemley were Faculty orators.

On the evening of June 9th, Phi Chapter of *K Σ* was

royally entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Stewart. I dare say it was one of the most delightful evenings we have ever spent. With the air redolent with the perfume of flowers, the rippling laughter of sweet women, the sweet strains of music from Vincent's Italian Band, and the most bountiful repast we have ever had the pleasure of seating ourselves to, no wonder the wee sma' hours of the morning crept in upon us unawares, and, at last, our sense of propriety demanding it, we departed with reluctance to our respective homes, expressing our most sincere thanks to our most excellent hostess for the magnificent manner in which she entertained us and our friends. I regret very much that the want of space forbids my writing more on this interesting subject, and for that reason only will I desist.

Now that the last farewell has been said and we have separated, each going to his respective home, some to return next fall, some never, probably, let us hold sacred the memory of the pleasant hours spent in our Chapter hall, and with a firmer purpose than ever resolve to conform our lives rigidly to the requirements of our Order and make ourselves an ornament to it.

Hoping to have the pleasure of again writing for Phi, I am

Fraternally,

JUNE 15th, 1893.

MATT LYLE.

CHI.

PURDUE UNIVERSITY, LAFAYETTE, IND.

A mid-summer Chapter letter is one which severely taxes a correspondent, but to add our little to help THE CADUCEUS, we shall try and do our best, and apologize for it at the same time.

Purdue closed her doors June 8th, after having graduated the largest class in the history of her existence. It numbered forty-four.

$K \Sigma$ lost no men by graduation, ΣX lost one, $\Phi \Delta \theta$ lost five, and ΣN lost three.

Ex-President Harrison presented the diplomas and made

the class a short impromptu address, which you may be sure was highly appreciated by Purdue, as well as by the class of '93.

Our annual book, *The Debris*, was out about the 5th of June, and proved to be very attractive and well-gotten up.

Before school closed we led through * * * * Messrs. Samuel L. Pattison, '96, of Indianapolis, Ind., and Truman H. Aldrich, '95, of Cincinnati, O., whom I take great pleasure in presenting to the *KΣ* world. They have, in this short time, become most true and loyal to the Fraternity, and proved themselves worthy of the honor reposed in them.

Owing to the fact that school has been closed so long, and that all of Chi's men are scattered, I have nothing to add, so I will close, hoping to have an interesting letter in September.

Yours in bonds,

JULY 15th, 1893.

W. R. ROOT, '95.

PSI.

MAINE STATE COLLEGE, ORONO, MAINE.

The time for our Chapter letter has again arrived, and it is with pleasure that I make my first report as Chapter correspondent for Psi Chapter.

Our condition at the present time is very favorable. We are now pleasantly located in a hall on the college campus, which is very much preferable to the one in the village which we occupied last year. We hope our next move will be to a Chapter house of our own.

Commencement exercises will begin next week, and, as is usually the case, *KΣ* will be fully represented in the different departments.

We will lose two brothers by graduation this year, but we are already looking forward very hopefully to the incoming class of next fall.

We will hold our annual banquet and reunion on the 27th of this month, and hope to meet once more many of our loyal Alumni members.

At our annual election the following officers were chosen

for the coming year : G. M., Albion Moulton ; G. M. C., J. H. Ricker ; G. P., J. M. Kimball ; G. T., P. F. Morse ; G. S., F. P. Pride ; Chapter Correspondent, G. N. Hall.

With best wishes to all $K \Sigma$'s, I remain

Yours in the bonds of $K \Sigma$,

JUNE 14th, 1893.

G. N. HALL.

ALPHA-BETA.

MERCER UNIVERSITY, MACON, GA.

Again it becomes my pleasant duty to write to the dear CADUCEUS.

At the opening of the '92-'93 term, only two $K \Sigma$'s could be seen on Mercer's campus. Two weeks later we had added three men to our roll. Some time in November our Billy had the pleasure "gwine er fishin'" and catching two fine "Fresh" fish. By the initiation of these two men, Alpha-Beta's number was made seven. In the early part of the spring term Bro. Billy took another stroll, and brought us one more man.

After six men had resisted the attacks of Cossa and his men, and had passed through the * * * * *, we yelled,

"What's the matter with our Billy's bait,
Since he has increased our roll to eight?"

Unfortunately, Bros. J. K. White and Robert Clayton Corbin had to leave us.

Below we give the data of the Fraternities at Mercer :

$K A$ returned 6 ; initiated 6, $A T Q$ returned 11 ; initiated 6.
 $K \Sigma$ returned 2 ; initiated 6, ΣN returned 11 ; initiated 4.
 $\Sigma A E$ returned 11 ; initiated 5, $\Phi A \theta$ returned 6 ; initiated 10.

A law class was begun at Mercer at the opening of the '92-'93 term, composed of several Mercer students and five or six town boys, most of whom are stenographers. Of the town boys ΣN initiated two and $\Sigma A E$ one. We don't get on to initiating men who only take one year's course in the law depart-

ment. *K A* initiated one man who has no connection whatever with the college.

We are represented in the glee club by Bro. J. D. Rabun.

Bro. Searcy holds a very responsible office in Phi-Delta Society.

On the evening of June 2d a crowd of *K Σ*'s assembled in Alpha-Beta's hall, where, after "speech-making," etc., delightful refreshments were served. At a late hour we separated, with hearty grips and with greater love for our much-loved Fraternity and each member of it. We intend to return to Mercer next year with the expressed purpose of doing "all that within us lies" for *K Σ*.

To every wearer of the Star and Crescent I say, Brothers, let us work together for the good of *K Σ*; let us endeavor to comply with every request of our S. E. C.; let each member get *one* subscription to THE CADUCEUS from some one of our many Alumni.

You may ask, "How can we work together?" Simply by doing your duty to *K Σ*, which you have sworn to uphold, and by complying with requests that come from our S. E. C.

Bros. Evans and Hicks gave us a call a few days ago. They are both fine boys, and do much for *K Σ*.

Hoping to see THE CADUCEUS at an early date, and wishing you all a pleasant vacation, and with a fraternal grip,

I remain yours in *K Σ* bonds,

MARK J. WHITE.

JUNE 10th, 1893.

ALPHA-IOTA.

U. S. GRANT UNIVERSITY, ATHENS, TENN.

Alpha-Iota now records her first year of college existence upon the scroll of progress. Our session ended on the 25th day of May, which closed our week of Commencement exercises. Notwithstanding the surprise which may greet our reappearance in THE CADUCEUS once more, Alpha-Iota has not fallen into lethargy but has been wide awake and aggressive. The past year that

has gone down upon the records of Alpha-Iota has surpassed the most sanguine expectations of her members in every department of work into which the Chapter has entered. The plan of keeping the Chapter *sub rosa* the preceding spring had the desired effect, and the "cinch" we obtained remained permanent.

The attendance in the different departments of the university during the past year has been the largest in the history of the institution, nor did there ever exist more harmony between the various departments, for the spirit of progress and advancement has permeated every member of the university.

K Σ is still the undisputed master of the situation and her colors the proudest upon the campus, nor has any other Fraternity yet deemed it wise to contest her rights. Every advantage and honor that was worth the having has been captured by the Alpha-Iota boys, and though our continued success often bred the offspring of jealousy, yet we have never been confronted by the slogan or bitter enmities of "barbarianism." Two of our staunchest brothers graduated with the class of '93, and they both carried off the highest honors in the class, their Commencement orations having been pronounced as never excelled if ever equaled in the university upon such an occasion. We have not found success by resting upon our laurels, but only by the irresistible course of "to do or to die." And though we have been ardent believers in the motto, "*festina lente*," yet our numbers have been increased by six of the choicest men that ever entered into Hellenic ties. Every neophyte was placed upon Spartan probation before he was judged worthy to become an "open sesame." The result has been excellent. In addition two more have been pledged to join our numbers upon their return in the fall.

Our Annual Banquet and our picnic upon our Anniversary Day were both events that brought us prominently into notice in every circle of Athenian society. Not only has our Fraternity life become a factor in the university and has breathed a new spirit and given a new tone and standard to college society and life, but Athenian society has everywhere co-operated its sympathy in our every movement and has held our Order in

the highest respect, making the "Star and Crescent" an emblem of merit and manhood wherever it goes.

At the opening of the collegiate year Alpha-Iota had neither a hall, furniture, nor history, but existed only in her ties of brotherhood; now she has a hall with neat furniture and growing archives, with still money in her treasury. I do not wish to exaggerate but simply to show what Fraternity enthusiasm and work can and has accomplished. To the two brothers that graduated and left our ranks Alpha-Iota granted two diplomas and conferred upon them the honorary degree of Grand Master of Honor, they having fulfilled the requirements leading up to that degree. The ceremony for this was at once simple and impressive and arranged so that it could be performed in public without any encroachments upon our ritual or secret work.

May the spirit of fraternalism and the perfection of brotherhood, together with the inculcation of the broader and more liberal ideas of education for which Alpha-Iota struggled so valiantly and by which she advanced so far during the past year, ever be fostered by her and by every Chapter that owes respect to the "Star and Crescent."

Fraternally,

JULIUS C. ZEILER.

ALPHA-MU.

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, CHAPEL HILL, N. C.

It is with great pleasure that Alpha-Mu is allowed the privilege of placing her name on the roll of *K Σ* Chapters and of becoming recognized among the correspondents of THE CADUCEUS, for it is our wish to join hands and be in harmony with the brothers of the grand old Order.

Alpha-Mu is yet young in the cause of Fraternity life, for it was through the kindness and very active work of Bros. H. M. Martin and T. C. Daniels that we were ushered within the portals of *K Σ* before the close of the past session.

Our small number, consisting at present of T. P. Braswell, '96, Battleboro', N. C.; T. M. Hooker, '96, Hookertown, N. C.; J. S. Lewis, '96; Goldsboro', N. C.; Girard Witson, '96,

Charlotte, N. C., and your humble scribe from Bethel, N. C., were introduced to the "Billy" on the 3d of June by the members of Eta Prime.

Although ours is the youngest of the thirteen Fraternities in the University we believe that with good work it is possible to soon put *K Σ* on a par with the best of them.

Every brother expects to return at the opening of next session, and each one is filled with pride at what the Chapter is and what it is possible to make it in the estimation of our college fellows. I think our prospect is encouraging, for during *K Σ*'s short stay in college there seems to be a general interest shown throughout college in our welfare.

We are having our hall very nicely fitted up during the vacation, and everything will be in readiness on our return.

We wish through THE CADUCEUS to extend our thanks to the Executive Committee for their aid in getting us started so quickly, and to Eta Prime, who has so kindly assisted us.

With fraternal greeting to all,

G. R. LITTLE.

JUNE 26th, 1893.

PERSONALS.

I

S. A. Hodges was married to Miss Anna Montgomery, of Georgetown, Texas, at the Methodist Church, Wednesday afternoon, July 12th.

Ψ

Dr. J. S. Ferguson, of New York, was married on June 19th to Miss Mabel Currier, of Abbot, Me. Dr. and Mrs. Ferguson will return to New York August 1st, and will reside at 209 E. 35th Street.

Σ

"Jefferson Davis was a member of the *K Σ* Fraternity, and yesterday a delegation from the *Σ* Chapter, situated at Tulane University, was present at the ceremonies. All of the students wore the mourning badges, and were as follows: Joseph O. Daspit, Ed. Pierson, P. Arthur Thibaut, Fred Loeb, F. R. Verges, H. C. Dufour, J. J. Bayle, and Elmore G. Dufour. Mr. Davis's son was a member of the Fraternity at the University of Virginia, and when the youth died the president was deeply touched by the devotion of the Order. Although already advanced in life, he became a member, and was one of the staunchest friends of the Fraternity. At the Baltimore conclave two years ago the Order decided to present a beautiful pin to Miss Winnie, who accepted the gift, and has ever since worn it as one of her proudest possessions."—*N. O. Picayune*, May 27th, 1893.

N

Second Lieutenant Edward Anderson, 1st Cavalry, U. S. A., stationed at Fort Grant, Arizona, is now on a visit to his home in Danville, Va.

Shields Harvey is a thriving tobacconist of Danville, Va.

W. Lindsay Bibb has been making hypnotism a special

study for several years, and is now meeting with much success as a lecturer in the Southern States.

Bernard A. Taliaferro is traveling for a Boston shoe firm.

J. W. Burges is now a cadet at West Point.

John P. Davidson has obtained his M. D. from the University of Virginia, and has accepted a position in St. Vincent's Hospital, Norfolk.

Wat. Tyler Lewis was ordained a minister of the Episcopal Church on June 20th.

Samuel C. Oglesby is practicing medicine in Wythe Co., Va.

φ

Henry Craft is a member of the law firm Craft & Craft, Memphis, Tenn.

Matt Taylor is in the mercantile business at Bentonla, Miss.

John L. Craig is a merchant doing business at Friendship, Tenn.

J. W. Wagner is assistant cashier in the Bank of Water Valley, Miss.

M. L. Meacham is a real estate agent and broker, Memphis, Tenn.

G. H. Robertson is a merchant at Jackson, Tenn.

Dr. E. C. Ellett, who, after graduating at the University of Pennsylvania, was resident physician at St. Agnes Hospital, Philadelphia, and for two years house surgeon at Wills' Eye Hospital, Philadelphia, has returned to his home in Memphis, Tenn., where he is practicing his profession.

John W. Keesee is farming in Arkansas. His address is Latour, Ark.

J. W. Downard is Vice-President of the Chickasaw National Bank, Purcell, I. T.

Dancy Fort is practicing law in Clarksville, Tenn.

Υ

'92. E. T. Wellford is pastor of the First Presbyterian Church at Newport News, Va.

A-H

At the Commencement exercises of Columbian University in Albaugh's Grand Opera House, Washington, D. C., May 4th, in the Department of Medicine, the following brothers were launched into the world with the title of M. D. : Lincoln Johnson, of New York, Frederick F. Jones, of Ohio, Van Buren Knott, of Iowa, George W. Leadley, of New York, Clarence G. Probert, of Ohio, Harry W. Rollings, of District of Columbia, and Edward G. Seibert, of Pennsylvania. Among the officers of the class is found the name of Van Buren Knott.

X

A. P. Peck has a position in the Engineering Department of the World's Columbian Exposition, Jackson Park, and has charge of the arc lighting of the grounds. He will gladly welcome all *K Σ*'s who look him up at the offices of the department, near the Stock Pavilion and the "White Horse Inn."

A-E

The following clipping gives the opinion of the *Philadelphia Press* in regard to two *K Σ*'s on the University of Pennsylvania crew that rowed such a race with Cornell this summer :

"The greatest individual work in the Pennsylvania boat is being done by Stroke Barnes. He has plenty of dash, grit, and determination, and the way he comes up on the recover would delight the eyes of Mr. Cook himself. Waters, at No. 7, is only a few degrees behind Barnes in his work, and these two could give any other two in the boat cards and spades in a pair-oared shell.—*Philadelphia Press*, June 30th.

COLLEGE AND FRATERNITY NOTES AND CLIPPINGS.

PHI CHAPTER OF THE KAPPA SIGMA FRATERNITY ENTERTAINS ITS FRIENDS WITH AN ELEGANT RECEPTION AT THE HOSPITABLE RESIDENCE OF MR. BRYCE STEWART.

Last evening were gathered together the friends of this, the leading fraternity, socially, of the S. W. P. U. The K' Σ's boast of an ancient origin, dating back to the University of Bologna in the fifteenth century. Some enthusiastic initiates claim that Christopher Columbus was a charter member of the Order. Be this as it may, they are at the present day a fine lot of fellows, to the manor born when it comes to entertaining. With Mrs. Stewart helping them their entertainment could not have failed, and it didn't, either. The Stewart residence was thrown open, as so often before, and the young ladies and gentlemen composing the reception committee most admirably performed their arduous task. The cream of Clarksville society gathered to say good-bye to the young wearers of the crescent and star who graduate this year. The lawn was lighted with Japanese lanterns and provided with the most alluring seats. An elegant supper was served during the evening to the sweet strains of Vincent's Italian band. Shortly after twelve o'clock the guests began departing and soon the K' Σ' reception of 1893 was only a pleasant memory, but one long to be remembered. Those who received were: Norman Stewart and Miss Morrow, W. P. McLean and Mrs. Stewart, W. S. Lemly and Miss Nannie Johnson, S. P. Ross and Mrs. Moore, N. R. Bardwell and Miss Whitefield, Matt Dunlop and Miss Beaumont, Dancey Fort and Miss Hurst, Will Drane, Jr. and Miss Luckett.—*Tobacco Leaf Chronicle*, Clarksville, Tenn.

Twenty-one fraternities are now installed in the University of Minnesota.

The University of Virginia now has eighteen fraternities represented by Chapters.

Kappa Kappa Gamma's second degree is to be open to no members below the Junior year. A pendant to the key will denote the attainment of it.—*Δ Γ Quarterly*.

The *K A* correspondent at Tulane University notes in a letter to the *Journal* that "our relations with the other fraternities have been the most pleasant, especially so with *K Σ*."

The ninth biennial convention of *K A Θ* convenes July 24th at the Hotel Epworth, Chicago.

Articles of organization have been filed with the Secretary of State for a new fraternity, *P K Υ*, which takes the place of *Φ K Ψ* at Madison, Wis.

It is going the rounds that the northwestern Chapter of *Δ Υ* expelled three Seniors because they married. Now, now! Such conduct is contrary to law and mercy.—*K A Journal*.

Postmaster-General Wilson S. Bissell was a member of *Δ K E* at Yale, being chosen to membership in 1867. In his Senior year Mr. Bissell was a member of the Skull and Bones Society. *Δ K E* is rich in the members of President Cleveland's Cabinet, not only the Postmaster-General, as before recorded, is a *Δ K E*, but also the Secretary of the Navy, Hon. Hillary A. Herbert. He was initiated into the mysteries of *Δ K E* at the University of Virginia.—*K A Journal*.

The Chicago Alumni of *Δ K E* have voted 39 to 7 to indorse the chartering of Chapters at both Northwestern and Chicago Universities, and it is likely that a number will be given to the applicants from the former place, now organized under the name of *T K Φ*.—*Scroll*.

The editor's life is strange and mysterious. He sits and watches, has no power to change or order done, but only to advise and to urge. It is his duty to praise that which seems good, and to thunder against that which seems evil in fact or in ten-

dency. Aside from this, his only care is to put forth a creditable magazine, to aid and promote interest in his fraternity.—*K A Journal*.

Such has been the effect at the University of Chicago of President Harper's deliverance on the society question that not one Fraternity has entered, unless it be *sub rosa*, and in an exceedingly quiet fashion.



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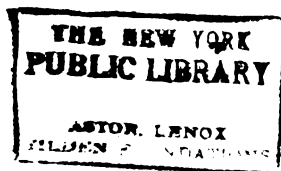
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THE NEEDS AND IDEALS OF KAPPA SIGMA.

BY ARTHUR KAISER (A-K).

ADVANCEMENT, improvement, growth, evolution; this is the universal order of things. This alone is life. Apathy, indifference, stagnation, retrogression, degeneracy mean death, or an existence worse than death. These are to be avoided. To cultivate and cherish the principles that alone constitute its healthy and vigorous life must be the aim of every attempt to make a Fraternity a real success. Fraternal Orders have at their basis enthusiasm. Without enthusiasm no Fraternity can exist; indeed, it has no right to exist. A number of men band themselves together to carry out certain principles of good-fellowship, of comradeship, of loyalty to each other, and to the organization which they constitute. Unless "the tie that binds" is made

strong and fast, is tried and proved from time to time, makes itself actually felt, it no longer "binds," but becomes a rope of sand and falls away. Nothing can so stimulate the members of a Fraternity, can so keep alive their enthusiasm as a vivid realization of just what their Order means, aims at, and actually attains.

First of all, members must keep themselves informed as to the history of their organization—what it has and what it has not done in the past—and its present activity—what it is now doing. Ignorance invariably indicates indifference. It behooves every *K Σ* to know thoroughly all about the Order to which he has pledged his allegiance, "not for a day, or an hour, or college term only, but for life." It ought to be the pride of every brother to be well versed in *K Σ* history just as every American citizen ought to be familiar with the vital facts of his country's history. The journal of the Order is the means of spreading this information and the resultant enthusiasm. Upon the success of the Fraternity's organ depends the success of the Fraternity itself. Every member must have the most vital sort of interest in his Fraternity magazine. He must, of course, be a subscriber, that he may have his own copy, and that he may contribute to its support. According to his ability he ought to contribute material in the form of news and literature; the editors cannot do it all. Moreover, to make *THE CADUCEUS* a real success we must have better Chapter letters. By all means select the very best man available as correspondent. See that he is prompt and reliable, that he knows how to write, that he does not fill his letter with gush and wind, but that he contributes the real items of interest, the actual record of his Chapter. Oh! ye Chapter correspondents! do let us have something more respectable or give up your important duty to some one who will take a pride in his work.

Then, too, there are many Alumni who can and ought to contribute to *THE CADUCEUS*. Nothing so forcibly indicates the strength of a Fraternity as the interest and enthusiasm manifested by the "old boys," the Alumni. One of the best ways in which they can show their zeal is through the pages of *THE*

CADUCEUS. If we all work together there is no reason why we cannot make THE CADUCEUS, not only one of the best Fraternity journals published, but indeed the very best.

There are other matters that need the attention of every *K Σ* who is such in spirit as well as in name. One of these is the highly important subject of new members. What sort of fellows shall we take in? This is the question that every Chapter must settle with the utmost caution and deliberation. Above all, be wisely conservative. Know a man thoroughly, his antecedents, his character, his prospects before you take him in. I take it that the first requisite of admission to an organization made up of "gentlemen and scholars," as every college Fraternity pretends to be, is after all that the applicant satisfies the Chapter that at any rate, whether or not he is a brilliant scholar or a skillful athlete, he is first, last, and all the time a true gentleman. We certainly have no use in our society for any but gentlemen. Of course, the standard varies, but I am sure that you will all agree with me when I say that in our conception of "gentlemen" we include no "cads," no "snobs," no "prigs," no "muckers." We want manly, genial, whole-souled, generous fellows; we want men that above all are pledged to maintain their honor and that of their family, their country, their college, and their Fraternity; we want men who are "jolly good fellows" in all which that much-abused word implies. Loyal, tolerant, sympathetic, a member of a Fraternity must be if he expects to live with his fellow-members. And, of course, you at once see the necessity that a new-comer should be congenial in tastes and habits to the other members—that is, for the most part congenial, because if he were entirely so then the Chapter would lose the good effects of having different sorts of men composing it. It is one of the fine things about Fraternity life that it broadens a man by bringing him in contact with people of different views, opinions, habits, and yet makes him tolerant. Of course, there must be certain sentiments and ideals to bind together these diversified elements, and these the principles and aims of the Order supply. Once more, I say, be careful about the man you are to admit to

your home and family, to your friendship and allegiance, to the Fraternity to which you have pledged your devotion. If the man satisfies you that he is indeed a gentleman you must have other reasons, too, for taking him in. First of all, are you sure he will make an enthusiastic "frat." man? Will he give his time, his money, his energy to further the interests of his Chapter and his Fraternity? We have no need for mere names, men who simply fill up space are mere lumber. We want men who can do something, men who will be a credit to us. To be sure, we do not expect every man to be a versatile genius. But we do want men who are not simply "good," but "good for something." We want men who can make a record in scholarship, others who are "literary fellows," embryo journalists; others who will bring glory to $K \Sigma$ on the athletic field, others who make a specialty of "society," who will give a tone to the Chapter, and who are yet not half-baked creatures with feather-weight brains. You understand, boys, we want no sticks, but fellows of flesh and blood, of brain and brawn. But first, last, and always, they must be—no matter what they can do or have done, no matter what their family or the corpulency of their pocket-book—they themselves must be honorable, well-bred, gentlemanly. $K \Sigma$ has no use for a man who is crude and unsophisticated, or worse yet—boorish—and no matter how brilliant a scholar, how skillful an athlete, how graceful a society man, "let him first be a gentleman," with a Sir Philip Sydney or a Henry Esmond as his ideal.

Thirdly.—A matter of most serious import is the question of extension. It is gratifying to every member of our Order to know how $K \Sigma$ has in the last few years been pushing out its lines, and this is going on continually now. Originally only a Southern society, $K \Sigma$ is fast becoming a thoroughly national one. I for one—Northerner though I am—rejoice that my Fraternity had its origin and early growth in the South. As a loyal American, I love the South and its generous, warm-hearted people, and I am pleased to be brought in contact with them. I rejoice that it is indeed the province of $K \Sigma$ to bring close together the youth of the North and the youth of the South. In

the younger generation to which we belong, old animosities, differences of opinion, are to be forgotten, without, of course, losing our self-respect. *K Σ* should make us realize that we are indeed brothers and have the same common interests; that we are firm and united in devotion to our common Nation as to our common Order. Let us work together, heart and soul, animated by the spirit of fraternity. And yet in this happy period of *K Σ*'s history there is great danger, unless we have great care. We must be cautious in our entrance to colleges and universities. *First*, the college ought to be a first-class one; not some little one-horse affair not much beyond a high school. *Secondly*, in entering the larger universities, we must exercise much carefulness that the Chapter does not start out a one-sided affair—that is, having all its members in some professional school or in some one course. It is far better to wait longer than to enter in such a way. *Thirdly*, a Chapter ought never to be allowed to start up as a maimed or crippled affair financially. We cannot afford to have our reputation menaced by any such handicap. But exercising this due caution and care, it is our duty and pleasure to extend our Order as much as possible. There are still many desirable colleges and universities where *K Σ* is not known; especially do many State universities offer us a good field. Let us all work together to “spread ourselves” until the whole country is brightened with our Star and Crescent. Yet, while extending thus, it may sometimes, in order to maintain our standard of membership, be necessary that some Chapter's charter be withdrawn. That, of course, is not pleasant, but may afford a most wholesome example in keeping all up to the standard set. We can only trust that our Supreme Executive Committee will always have the support of the whole Order in the most important work of granting and withdrawing charters.

Another need of *K Σ*'s is chapter-houses, the only true means of unifying and crystallizing the influence of a Fraternity in a college. Especially do we need them where all the other Fraternities have them. It is sheer nonsense to try to compete under such circumstances, if we have no house. It is indeed gratifying to note that the Chapters are realizing this. Every Chapter ought to aim to have a home of its own. A house

affords half the benefits of a Fraternity; it is a home for the undergraduates, a rendezvous for the Alumni. It is a fixture, and so is a permanent hold. Hasten the day when every Chapter will own its own club-house. In the meantime do the next best thing—rent a house and live in it “together in brotherly love.” Invoke the aid of your fair sisters and sweethearts. Gather books, pictures, bric-a-brac. Make it beautiful and attractive. On special occasions open it up and show your hospitality and social grace. You will thus keep your Alumni attached, will be sure of their sympathy and aid. You will thus attract desirable people in town and in university.

Kappa Sigma needs a catalogue of all its members and needs it badly. Work is being done on it now, and may it speedily prosper. How valuable and convenient would it have proved during the past summer at Chicago, when so many *K Σ*'s exchanged grips, and might have exchanged more had they known the *personnel* and addresses of their fellow-members. I hope every *K Σ*, every Chapter will help our editors in issuing this most needed register and record.

Would it not be better if we had annual Conclaves? Would not the hold be a firmer one on Chapters and individual members? Two years seem a long time between Fraternity conventions, especially when a man spends only four years in a college, and oftentimes less. The Conclave, too, ought indeed to be a great occasion. It ought to be exacted of every Chapter (on penalty of withdrawal of charter) to send at least one representative. Moreover, every *K Σ* ought to make a supreme effort to attend, so that he may become acquainted with his society as he can in no other way. Boys, it is not too early now to make plans for attending the next Conclave, which I trust will be the greatest in our history thus far.

Then, too, we need greater promptness in the payment of dues, both Chapter and Fraternity dues. The standing of a Chapter is largely to be judged by its record in this respect. See to it that you are faithful in these matters. It is certainly the hall-mark of a gentleman to be scrupulous and exact in his money affairs. There is a brutally candid, but immensely expressive maxim that says “Money talks.”

Finally, we need more Alumni Chapters. The hope of a college is its Alumni; no less is a Fraternity dependent upon the interest shown by its Alumni members. Form clubs wherever there are two or three gathered together in the name of *K Σ*. New Orleans, Chicago, New York, Philadelphia, Washington, Pittsburgh, Buffalo, Charleston, W. Va., Charleston, S. C., Atlanta—all ought to have *K Σ* Alumni clubs meeting occasionally during the year, and thus renewing Fraternity enthusiasm, watching for recent graduates and taking them in before they become lost in the whirl of the world. Let the motto be, "Once a *K Σ*, always a *K Σ*."

In conclusion, my brothers, let me urge you at the beginning of this college year to do all you possibly can for the Order you pretend to love. If you cannot help in one way, help in another. Everything counts. Bring good fellows into your Chapter. Aid in extending into other colleges. Get a chapter-house. Give of your time, your money, and your energy. Support your journal. Attract your Alumni to visit you, and *K Σ*'s of other colleges; also make your Chapter a banner Chapter. Show your literary ability. Write a good Fraternity song—a thing we sadly need. Make your Chapter the best "frat." in the college. Bring credit and honor to *K Σ*, whether you are in the class-room, on the field, in the shop, in the ball-room, in the office, on the parade ground, in short, wherever you are and whatever you are doing. Let *K Σ*'s beautiful badge be indeed the symbol of true manliness and worth wherever its Star and Crescent shine!

CHAPTER LETTERS.

BY HERBERT M. MARTIN (*H*).

THIS subject has been dwelt upon *ad nauseam* by the Editors of Fraternity magazines ever since such magazines began to exist, yet it is one that is well worth our careful attention. Were the letters sent to **THE CADUCEUS** free from the evils to which our attention will be called further on, there would be no need for this article;

but it is a sad fact that they abound, many of them, in just such faults, and it is to aid a reformation along this line that we are constrained to inflict upon the readers of THE CADUCEUS a few suggestions on this well-worn subject.

We should exert ourselves to send to THE CADUCEUS just the very best Chapter letters we can. It is a fault that we have to find with many College Fraternity periodicals that the Chapter letters contained therein are but a prosy repetition, time after time, of the stock-phrases so common to all Chapter letters; yes, so common that they almost become *trite*. They say: "Our Fraternity is the leading Greek Order in the country;" "our Chapter is far ahead of all other Chapters at this college;" "we are getting on finely;" and this is about all. No *news* must be given; they make that a specialty; always put your Chapter head and shoulders above every other Chapter, and make two or three more bombastic statements, and then your "Chapter letter" is, forsooth, perfectly satisfactory to all concerned.

Now, we wish to make a few suggestions as to how a Chapter letter should be written; and—be it far from us to boast in the sageness of our remarks—we think if the correspondent of each Chapter will read these hints and profit by them, no one will ever have cause to complain of the quality of the Chapter letters published in THE CADUCEUS.

"A word to the wise is sufficient."

First.—The letter should give a plain, *unvarnished* account of the doings of the Chapter, of rival Chapters, and of the students at large.

Second.—It should mention any improvements in the college, its grounds or buildings, its Faculty or its finances. A short account of such affairs is very suitable for a Chapter letter, and this hint should be followed by all our correspondents.

Third.—In writing a Chapter letter exclude all "personals." This is a very important. Often we see a letter filled up with remarks like the following: "Bro. P. D. Q., a student of former years, has committed matrimony," or "Bro. Sandy Slempe paid us a flying visit a few days ago," or "Bro. Tony Tuck is wielding the hickory at Screamersville;" and so on *ad infinitum*.

Such "news" is eminently proper in its proper place, which is surely not in the Chapter letter. Every Chapter should consider it its duty to keep the Fraternity at large well informed with regard to its Alumni through the columns of THE CADUCEUS. The "Personal" department is one of great interest to all loyal brothers. Also, let us say if any brother wishes to discuss the policy of the Fraternity in any matter of importance, let him present his ideas through the literary columns proper, and not in his Chapter letter. We are always glad to receive articles of any fraternal nature, be it what it may, and we always take pleasure in allowing any brother to elucidate any question of Fraternity policy in THE CADUCEUS.

Fourth.—Be sure to take great care in writing your Chapter letters; one Chapter is apt to judge the mental ability of its sister Chapters by their Chapter letters. Let your best men write them in their best style, so that the Fraternity at large can see what your mental ability is; and let all see that it is of the highest grade of excellence. If any brother of the quill finds any idea worthy of consideration in these suggestions, let him put that idea into practical use in his next Chapter letter, for by so doing he will contribute greatly toward making THE CADUCEUS the sparkling sheet it is intended to be.

TO THE LOYAL ALUMNUS.

CONCORD, N. C., October 17th, 1893.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER :

There are at present three Chapters of our Fraternity in North Carolina; one Chapter at Davidson College, one at Trinity College, and one at the University. These Chapters are comparatively young, and consequently are fighting against very unequal odds.

In North Carolina other Fraternities have Alumni Associations that do good work for their Chapters; and surely we, the Alumni of $K \Sigma$, do not intend to sit idly by and expect our

Chapters to successfully compete with their Chapters and Association combined. Our Alumni must organize, or our Order will degenerate or die. We know that you, like ourselves, are not actively connected with a Chapter at present, but we hope that you are nevertheless mindful of the obligation which you have assumed. We want *you* to join with us in establishing an Association of $K \Sigma$ in North Carolina. It can be carried on with very little expense after it is once started, and the annual meeting will be enjoyable to all who care to meet old friends. It will be second only to the Conclave. Now we know that you have the cares of life to look after, but so have Col. T. W. Strange, Attorney-General F. I. Osborne, and others, who have promised their co-operation. Strain a point and help us. You need not think it will be a continual drain on your time or money.

We propose, then, to have a banquet in Concord sometime during the Christmas holidays, as a preliminary step toward establishing a State Association. We expect it to be largely attended, and we hope to see you in the crowd. Now we hope to have something "tiptop," and the expense will be very high, and if you can send us a small contribution, we will be proportionately obliged. Now, this contribution is not for us, but for the good of the Order which we have all sworn to aid and protect, so don't feel that you are giving it to the Alumni of Concord.

You may expect an invitation as soon as the exact time has been determined upon. In the meantime it is *absolutely* necessary for us to know how many are coming, and how much money we can raise. Therefore you will kindly let us hear from you immediately.

Yours in $K \Sigma$,

F. L. SMITH,
J. F. HURLEY,
W. W. MORRIS,

Committee of Alumni of $K \Sigma$ of Concord.

ETA OF KAPPA SIGMA.

BY D. B. EASTER (H).

IT is now nearly five years ago that $K\Sigma$ appeared at Randolph-Macon College, and appeared, too, at a time when the founding of a new Chapter there was not an easy matter. In 1888, chapters from five separate Fraternities: $B\Theta\Pi$, $\Phi\Lambda\Theta$, ΣX , KA , and $\Phi K\Sigma$ had long been established there, and had a strong backing. At that time, also, a large "Anti-Fraternity Organization" was in existence, and there were but few men that were not members of this or of one of the Fraternities above named.

But the heart of a true $K\Sigma$ does not easily despair, and so, when about October 1st, 1888, James D. Johnston, an initiate of Omicron, at Emory and Henry, came to Randolph-Macon, he resolved to add another star to the Grecian galaxy. Forthwith he went to work, and, in spite of difficulty, labored with such zeal and fervor, that on March 8th, 1889, the then ruling S. E. C. granted a charter to Bro. Johnston, together with three others, H. M. Martin, E. T. Wescott, and C. H. Hall. These four constituted the Chapter for the first year. They added no others to their number, deeming it right to hold what they had, and not to lower their standard, or even risk so doing.

The second year the Chapter at first seemed well-nigh broken. None of the men of the year before returned, save Bro. Johnston, and it appeared for a while that he would have to bear the flag alone. But Bro. H. G. Buchanan was transferred from Omicron, and these two men determined to put Eta of $K\Sigma$ in the front rank. Their efforts were not in vain, and, at last, after a steady and sturdy fight, they brought the Chapter to a position of honor and dignity in college circles. This year saw five men led beyond * * * *. Eta Deuteron had advanced. She has not yet lost ground, although the succeeding sessions have seen many changes. Those who first came into "The City," and donned the "Star and Crescent" grad-

ually passed out of College into the world. But others followed beyond Σ and $O E$, and have kept the Chapter from falling back, and to-day $K \Sigma$ has an enviable position at the dear old College.

The Fraternities here are not as favorably situated in regard to chapter-rooms as are those at some other colleges, but have to get halls at rents by no means low. Eta had long felt the need of a proper and private dwelling-place, and so, after having joined in for three years or more with one of the other Grecian bands, she at last succeeded in getting a place to herself. This she attempted to fit up as neatly as possible, intending to add something year by year; for chapter-rooms, like all things else, grow, and that not in a night. So when last session closed, Eta had a good start toward a "home." But now this is gone. A fire broke out, and destroyed our all, save one picture, our original charter, the rituals, the Constitution, and the record-book. These were, fortunately, in a place of safety. All else was lost, and the men of 1893-94 will have to make a fresh start.

Eta's historian does not wish to close this brief sketch before placing before you the names of those who have made the Chapter, and so he adds the list in the order of initiation. No stain has yet rested upon Eta's roll. Her members are not perfect. Mortal man cannot be that; but the Chapter has cause for congratulation that she has never expelled a member. She has been conservative; too much so, some may think, but, at all events, her scutcheon is free from this stain of dishonor.

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

* JAMES D. JOHNSON (O),	Pearisburg, Giles Co.,	Virginia.
* H. M. MARTIN,	Danville,	"
* E. T. WESCOTT,	Accomac C. H.,	"
* C. H. HALL,	Petersburg,	"
H. G. BUCHANAN (O),	Ashland,	"
J. F. BLACKWELL,	Holly Dale,	"
R. W. BUCHANAN,	Ashland,	"
C. M. LENNON,	Alexandria,	"
H. G. ROBINSON,	Graham's Forge,	"

* Founders.

A. L. MOISE,	Sumter,	South Carolina.
D. B. EASTER,	Ashland,	Virginia.
W. J. KING,	Lindsay,	Ontario.
W. C. ARCHER,	Beaver Pond,	Virginia.
J. L. TERRELL,	Fort Worth,	Texas.
S. H. TURNER,	Petersburg,	Virginia.
E. G. ROBINSON,	Graham's Forge,	"
G. L. DILLARD,	Martinsville,	"
J. W. ROBINSON,	Graham's Forge,	"
THOS. WALLACE,	Shelbyville,	Kentucky.

It may also interest the Order to have a comparative view of the members here, and so your historian adds the following list, which is as correct as could be made under the circumstances :

YEARS.	K Σ	Β Θ Π	Φ Δ Θ	Κ Α	Φ Κ Σ	Σ Χ	Φ Θ Ψ
1888-1889	4	15	11	10	5	6	1
1889-1890	7	13	10	6	7	5	4
1890-1891	7	12	10	5	7	6	3
1891-1892	8	3	8	4	6	6	4
1892-1893	10	none	8	3	12	8	7

MICHAEL ANGELO.

BY HENRY A. CONVERSE (Y).

SEEING, in a late number of THE CADUCEUS, an account of "Tyrants such as Cossa," it occurred to me that it might be of interest to K Σ to hear something about one of the members of "Kirjaith Sepher," in the first century of her existence.

Michael Angelo, the renowned painter, sculptor, and architect, was born at Chinsi, Italy, in the year 1474. Of his early life we know very little; but while he was a youth, attending the seminary established at Florence by Lorenzo de Medici for the study of ancient art, he manifested quite a talent in that direction.

There he attracted the attention of Lorenzo by the artistic skill with which he restored the mutilated head of a laughing

faun in the Medicean Gardens, and was received by him into his palace, where he spent several years. After the death of his patron he went to Bologna, "the City of Letters, of Churches, and Arcades," where his first original works were executed.

Here he was engaged in decorating the School of Theodocius II, and it is very probable that he became affiliated with *K Σ* during his sojourn at this place. Not very long afterward he went to Rome, where his fame had already preceded him. The object of this visit was to make a monument for Pope Julius II, to be erected in St. Peter's. The project was never carried out on the colossal scale on which it was first planned, but was afterward finished and set up in one of the smaller churches.

One of his most marvelous works was the painting of the ceiling of Sistine Chapel. The whole ceiling was covered with cartoons, the subjects being taken from Genesis, with figures of the prophets and sibyls. The task occupied him fully two years.

Much of his time was taken from his painting and sculpture by building roads for Pope Leo X.

His skill as an engineer was unparalleled. The Florentines and Bolognese vied with each other for his services. It was to him that Florence was indebted for plans of the fortifications, by means of which the Medici were kept out of the city for a long time after their expulsion. After the surrender of Florence he returned to Rome. His representation of the "Last Judgment," a colossal fresco ten feet high, prepared for the altar of Sistine, shows, better than most of his other works, his remarkable knowledge of the human figure.

By his skill and genius St. Peter's was converted from a "Saracenic hall" to the model of a Christian church. For such works as these he would accept no remuneration, saying that it was "a service for the glory of God."

He died at Rome in 1563, having nearly reached the age of four-score years and ten, and his remains were laid to rest in Florence.

Michael Angelo was a man of whom *K Σ* may well be proud to own as a son. His fame spread throughout all Europe

during his lifetime, and his name will ever be mentioned among the immortal few as the prince of painters.

Some one has said of him, "His piety, benevolence, and liberality made him generally beloved, and in the history of art no name shines with a more unsullied lustre than that of Michael Angelo."

ALUMNI CHAPTERS.

BY HERBERT M. MARTIN (H).

A LETTER from Bro. W. H. Crank, Jr. (T), of Houston, Tex., asking for information about starting an Alumni Chapter, the project of forming one at that place having been set on foot, has caused me to again introduce the important subject of Alumni Chapters in the columns of THE CADUCEUS, hoping to arouse a more general interest in such Chapters among our Alumni.

There is a common opinion existing among the "uninitiated" that the reason Fraternities receive so little assistance from their Alumni is that after leaving college they lose interest in the work. This may be true in some instances, but not in all, just as it is true that men sometimes leave college and forget the instruction they have received there, and pursue their studies no further, or that sometimes young men leave their homes to find employment in other places, and a continued separation from loved ones and the scenes of pleasant associations leads them to forget them all.

These are not general results, nor should our Alumni be charged with such disloyalty. The trouble does not lie here, but in a fault that can be more easily remedied.

How rarely do we meet a $K \Sigma$ alumnus who is indifferent to our grip and does not stand *rectis auribus* for any word we may have to say on Fraternity matters. This is certainly the observation of us all, and it disproves the common theory mentioned above. It will also be found that our Alumni, having left college, are out of working Chapters, are isolated from their

brethren, and lose sight of the work being done. If there are any $K \Sigma$'s where they are living, they are ignorant of the fact, and have no means of finding it out. All over this country are scattered Alumni $K \Sigma$'s; our towns and cities are dotted with $K \Sigma$ lights, burning individually and independently; yet they are *true fire*.

What we need is to *gather these brands together* in their respective communities; then they will make a mighty flame that will radiate the light of fraternal truth throughout the length and breadth of our land. The organization of Alumni Chapters will accomplish this end, and we have enthusiastic and energetic men all around who will undertake this work if they receive the least encouragement from our active college Chapters.

In Indianapolis, Chicago, Nashville, Knoxville, New Orleans, Baltimore, Richmond, and in a score of other places, we have a sufficient number of men to form Chapters. Who will lead the work in these places?

Any information desired for this work may be obtained by writing our Worthy Grand Scribe.

EDITORIALS.

It will be noticed that the volume of **THE CADUCEUS** has been changed with the present number. This change has been made in answer to many requests and arguments of many brothers, who contend that as **THE CADUCEUS** is but a continuation of *The Quarterly* it should bear the numbers of the consecutive volumes since the first copy of a *K Σ* magazine made its appearance. This is the custom of magazines, and so **THE CADUCEUS** assumes a greater age and the title Vol. VIII.

The *K Σ*'s in North Carolina should rally around the flag and co-operate for the success of the three Chapters in the Old North State. Throughout North Carolina the other Fraternities have Alumni Associations or Chapters that aid and encourage the active Chapters wonderfully. With such existing conditions how can *K Σ* expect the three Chapters in North Carolina to successfully compete with their rivals, unless the Alumni also aid the active members? But some of the Alumni have arisen to the situation. Arrangements are being made to have a reunion and banquet in Concord some time during the Christmas holidays. Attention is called to the announcement from the Committee on Arrangements.

And everywhere is felt the necessity of Alumni Associations. Why cannot *K Σ*'s, where there are a half-dozen or more, form a club, a Chapter, an Association—meet several times a year at least to feel that good old grip, to gather around together and sing the same old songs, to smoke the pipes and drink from “the flowing bowl” as of yore, to tell the old stories, discuss the same old Fraternity and its new Chapters, its advancement, its new men, its new glory. And when so gathered together can not these men decide how best to help the Chapters, the new members, how best to make the “young fellows” of the

younger generation what they ought to be. Such intercourse between the alumnus and active member quickens the enthusiasm in the first, pleases and urges on the second. And may there be many such gatherings this winter—and forever after—and in the future clubs and club-houses will be the result.

What gives more pleasure than to see the familiar pin where you least expect it, to grasp the hand of a brother you have never before seen, but whom you seem to have known for all time? One of the greatest pleasures in a pilgrimage to the "World's Fair" at Chicago was to unexpectedly meet good Knights of the Star and Crescent at every turn—to grab the coat-tails of a man from Texas as he was making for the Dahomey Village with a pretty girl, such undue liberty of action being explained by the sight of his pin; to steal up behind a well-known brother whom you hadn't seen for months—to steal up behind him in "Old Vienna" as he sat at table, and ask him "what will it be, old man?" To grasp the hand of an astonished brother from Virginia, who has just been "dumped" from the back of a camel in the "Street of Cairo." What can equal such pleasure? And in the "Magic City" you could find college and "frat." men galore in every walk of life—and the Midway Plaisance—among the chair-pushers, among the Columbian Guards, at the heads of departments or exhibits in the buildings; students wandering around, radiant with broad-brim straw hats and duck trousers, with armfuls of guide books, or in the German Village or "Old Vienna" "enjoying life" after a busy day. The college man was very much in evidence, and gleaming Fraternity pins flashed at every turn. Grips were given, hearts were gladdened, old friends were found and new ones made, the "old boy" and the "young boy" met and had good times together, for they wore the same pin, and the world wagged on happier and better.

If all the Chapters cannot have Chapter-houses at once they can at least do much for their rooms and future house. Start a

library, add books now and then, hang pictures, and with an artistic touch beautify here and there, treasure all Fraternity and College records and trophies, collect photographs of Alumni members, and keep in an album for that purpose—an album that will be a priceless treasure some day—add to the furniture, get a pool or billiard table if you can afford it, make the Chapter rooms the pleasantest place you know—a place to meet, to read, to have the social enjoyments that a Fraternity man should best know. Keep up enthusiasm and interest, and a Chapter-house will come in time.

THE EDITOR'S TABLE.

In the *College Fraternity* for June and July—a neat way of doubling up, when the publication has run behind a month or more—among the various interesting articles is a well-written account of “Tulane and Her Fraternities.” Mr. Pierce Butler, the writer of this article, has the following to say of our Fraternity Chapter at that institution :

“*K Σ*, like all the others, has seen times when proselytes were hard to find, and harder still to hold against the clamorous throng. But she has sturdily held her own, and is now in good condition. She has made herself a good name at Tulane, and has had particular successes in debates and oratory, having carried off three honors in those departments during the present session.”

The *Σ A E Record* for May calls attention to the revival of our Chapter at Trinity, N. C., and of our rejoicing thereat. The *Record* finds especially interesting to *Σ A E* an editorial in *THE CADUCEUS*, where reference is made to sectionalism as once in a while troublesome still. It quotes the following :

“*K Σ* was once a Southern order. The Star and Crescent is now seen in North, South, East, and West, though extension has not yet reached into the far West where so much lies before us. But with the other Orders we are still known in the North as a ‘Southern Fraternity.’ Sectionalism still sticks up her ugly head, and it will only be by the sincere and hearty co-operation of Southern and Northern fraters alike that we can attain that nationalism we so much desire. * * * But if tranquillity is to reign and our onward course be a peaceful one, sectionalism must be stamped out at once.”

To this Mr. Chester N. Ames, the exchange editor, remarks :

“*Σ A E* has no trouble with sectionalism ; neither do we

think $K \Sigma$ has much. $\Sigma A E$ originated in the South, and is of those now in existence the pioneer of Southern Fraternities. Our alumni are naturally in large part Southern men; but, out of the forty-seven active Chapters on our roll, almost one-half are now in States not Southern. And yet there is no trouble about sectionalism. The truth is that there is not very much of it any more to give trouble, and what there is we rather like. It suits the North very well that the Fraternity should have its anchor cast in Dixie land; but the anchor must be strong enough to hold the ship. The moral of which is that we should be satisfied with nothing less than a complete occupation of the South. That is sectionalism enough for us. * * *

We like this sort of talk. We feel that way ourselves. It is true, however, that sectionalism does once in a while show itself in a disagreeable way, but usually it is in a friendly, generous rivalry. In another place we have expressed our feelings anent $K \Sigma$ as a "Southern Fraternity." We are indeed glad it originated in the South, but we want to see it truly national as soon as possible. We want Eastern conservatism, Western push, Southern chivalry, and Northern energy. We want $K \Sigma$ to be truly American, and we believe every true $K \Sigma$ will agree with us.

Nearly half the space of $B \theta \Pi$ for June is devoted to an article descriptive of beautiful Kenyon College, in Ohio. The article is accompanied by some very handsome cuts. There are very few Chapter letters in this issue. A biographical article on "Matthew Stanley Quay" (some people would irreverently ejaculate, "Heaven save the mark!") completes the number.

The ΣX *Quarterly* for July (a good fat number for a hot summer month) calls attention, with righteous indignation, to the recent Fraternity treachery at the University of Wisconsin, where a band of swelled-heads deserted $\Phi K \Psi$ and tried to get into $\Psi \Gamma$. No words are too harsh for these most despicable fellows. "All the world loves a lover," but all the world hates a traitor and a coward. As the *Quarterly* well says: If they

were dissatisfied with their general organization, they should have remained true to it; and if they are the superior men they claim to be, they could have by their own efforts removed the causes of such dissatisfaction. In military circles the traitor receives no mercy, nor should he in business and social circles. Unfortunately, $\Phi K \Psi$ is not the only Fraternity that has nursed vipers. The whole Greek world, for its own welfare, should stigmatize every such case with the severest sort of opprobrium, ostracism, and boycott.

The able editor of the *\theta \lambda \chi Shield*, in the June number, takes our honored associate editor to task for thinking that a Chapter of as large a number as sixty is desirable. He thinks, on the other hand, that "there certainly could not be among so many that harmony of thought, feeling, and interest which is the fine flower of Fraternity life in a smaller Chapter." We are inclined to agree with Editor Holmes, although the case our worthy Editor Martin instances was indeed a notable exception, so notable as to make the rule all the more apparent. Yet I trust that Bro. Martin's earnest words will indeed be heeded when he says:

"So long as suitable material is to be had, we hold that it should be the policy of every Chapter to increase the number of its active members as far as possible."

It would seem to us that twenty-five, or at the utmost thirty, would be the maximum to be desired.

The *Shield* compliments our editor "on the manner in which he wields the editorial pen," and acknowledges his "graceful kindness." It finds the "Editor's Table," for May, "more extended than usual and in a very happy vein."

It is, indeed, a pleasure to see editors, at least once in a while, neither gushing over each other nor scratching each other's eyes out, like the famous cats of Kilkenny, but acknowledging each other's worth in a frank, manly manner.

The *K A Journal* quotes our editor's appeal for aid and co-operation and less growling and "kicking." In the name of

all we hold dear, may that appeal and protest be heeded. The *Journal* scores the May CADUCEUS as a "clipping" number, but evidently rejoices in the good taste shown in clipping from itself.

How is it so many of the Fraternity journals have no table of contents? Have their editors an attack of Anglomania? Are they trying to rival English books that proverbially have no index, no table of contents? An improvement in this respect is sadly needed.

The *Inlander* is a bright monthly magazine published by the students of that sturdy educational stronghold of the Northwest—the University of Michigan. Editor George W. Harris is to be congratulated on the attractiveness of the October number.

CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

GAMMA.

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, BATON ROUGE, LA.

Last session was as successful as any in the history of the Chapter. Nearly every important honor in school was taken by a *K Σ*. Bro. W. L. Stevens led the Senior class. He was Captain of company "D," and on July 4th, 1893, he won the "colors" for having the best drilled company in the corps of cadets. Bro. Pleasant led all his studies in the Junior class. He also received the Magruder Medal for being the best essayist in the Junior class. Gamma held first and second place for the Alumni Medal contest. Bro. Brian was the happy recipient of the Alumni medal—this makes the second time he has taken this medal. He also took the Challet Latin prize, having handed in the best examination papers in the Sophomore Latin class on the final examination.

Gamma has twelve members back at school this year. Every one of Gamma's men is an officer in the corps of cadets. They rank as follows: Bro. Campbell, class of '94, Captain of company "D;" Bro. Trudean, class of '94, Captain of company "B;" Bro. Pleasant, class of '94, Adjutant; Bro. Trichel, class of '94, First Lieutenant of company "A;" Bro. J. D. Clark, class of '95, First Lieutenant of company "B;" Bro. Brian, class of '95, First Lieutenant of company "C;" Bro. S. M. D. Clark, class of '95, Second Lieutenant of company "B;" Bro. Roberts, class of '95, Second Lieutenant of company "C;" Bro. Cooper, class of '96, Second Sergeant of company "A;" Bro. Lewis, class of '96, Third Sergeant of company "B;" Bro. Gamble, class of '96, Fourth Sergeant of company "C;" Bro. Purdy, class of '94, Fifth Sergeant of company "B."

There is nothing to hinder us from leading this year as we

have done for several years past. All we have to do is to work, and we must do that.

At our meeting last night we initiated a "freshy." He is, like all of Gamma's men, a fine fellow. I take great pleasure in introducing to every $K \Sigma$ Bro. Lewis Adolphus Sholars, who, although this is his first year at this institution, is a Sophomore.

The three months for vacation have passed and are gone forever, and still the days come and bear no mark of "sleep or weariness." Every one of the brothers says he had a very fine time during the summer.

Wishing every $K \Sigma$ success,

I am yours in $K \Sigma$ bonds,

JOHN B. ROBERTS, G. S.

OCTOBER 14th, 1893.

PI.

SWARTHMORE COLLEGE, SWARTHMORE, PA.

Once more have the doors of Swarthmore College been thrown open, and with it Pi Chapter has entered upon a bright career for the season of '93-94.

We have at present six members, and the outlook for a successful year is certainly very fair.

Two of our number who were here last year, and who expected to return, failed to do so—namely, Bro. H. C. Mode, '95, who has entered Cornell, and Bro. A. E. Blackburn, '95, who is studying medicine in Philadelphia.

By graduation we lost Bro. Geo. H. Brooke, who is now taking a course in electricity at the University of Pennsylvania, and who is also a promising candidate for the position of full-back on the 'Varsity foot-ball team.

We take pleasure in introducing to all $K \Sigma$'s Bro. Frederick Kappeler, of Washington, D. C., whom we ushered safely through the * * * * * at our first meeting this year, and who is thoroughly imbued with the $K \Sigma$ spirit.

The officers of the Chapter for the following year are as follows:

G. M., Bouie Clark ; G. M. C., L. W. Bierwith ; G. P., Chas. G. Hodge ; G. S., Frederick Kappeler ; G. T., W. B. Chapin.

We have recently had short visits from Bros. Warner (*II*), Brooke (*II*), Blackburn (*II*), Murray (*II*), Watters (*A-E*), and Krackaur (*A-E*).

Pi is always glad to welcome her old members and all *K Σ*'s who happen to be near her.

We are proud to say that *K Σ* is well represented in the college foot-ball team, Bro. Hodge having been appointed captain and Bro. Clark ably filling the position of right guard.

With best wishes to all wearers of the "Star and Crescent," I am in *K Σ* bonds,

L. W. BIERWITH.

OCTOBER 16th, 1893.

TAU.

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AUSTIN, TEXAS.

The time for our Chapter letter has again arrived, and it is with great pleasure that I make my first report for Tau Chapter.

We hope soon to brighten, not only Tau's future but that of the Fraternity at large, by erecting a Chapter-house that will be an honor to Tau and a credit to *K Σ*.

The following clipping from the *Houston Post* will be of special interest to Texas members and should be to all *K Σ*'s: "Amid the bustle and rush of busy life in Houston, Texas, no one but a thoroughly enthused Greek-letter Fraternity man can fully appreciate the announcement made in the *Post* a few days ago that an alumni Chapter of the Kappa Sigma Order would be organized in this city. This means that ten or twelve gentlemen representing as many different colleges, are now residing in Houston, who are bound together by a tie of brotherly love, a feeling of congenialty and friendship that defies description. These gentlemen are what are known in college circles as

'Knights of the Star and Crescent,' or true and lawful *K Σ's*."

Tau opens this year with the following Knights--in Faculty: Geo. P. Garrison, Associate Professor of History; Thomas U. Taylor, Associate Professor of Applied Mathematics; Fred-eric W. Simonds, Associate Professor of Geology; James R. Bailey, Tutor in Chemistry; Robert A. Thompson, Instructor in Mathematics. In Law Department: W. S. Lemly, Jr. (*Φ*), W. P. McLean, Jr. (*Φ*); R. U. Lee, W. S. Hunt, Stanton Allen, C. C. Clark. In Academic: Walter Gresham, H. L. Hilgartener, Herbert Springall, Dennis Walsh.

The material out of which to make "true and lawful *K Σ's*" has been found in five young men, and I take pleasure in presenting to our beloved Order five new but loyal brothers, viz.: Alexander Rhea, Law; Arthur Moore, Academic; William Hort, Law; Victor Moore, Academic; William Hay, Law.

We have no fear of any of our rivals here; we just simply pick our material and advise them to look before they leap, and thus far they all have leaped into that Order that if closely observed will make them a better man.

Tau sends fraternal greetings to all.

Fraternally,

W. P. McLEAN, JR.

PHI.

SOUTHWESTERN PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY, CLARKSVILLE,
TENN.

The summer vacation at S. W. P. U. has drawn to a close, and the fall term has opened with exceedingly bright prospects. Already we have more in attendance than were enrolled during the entire session of '92-'93, and students are arriving by almost every train.

Of the many new students who have entered this year, Phi has had the pleasure of rescuing only one from the gloomy and fatal stigma of barbarism. On the night of September 23d we ushered through the * * * * * into the full light of Greek-

dom, H. W. Borders, of Keysburg, Ky. It is needless for me to give him any further recommendation than to say he is a *K Σ*.

We were glad to enroll all of our old men except the graduates of '93, and Bro. Love, who was unfortunately detained at home this session.

Bro. W. M. Daniel, having been compelled to leave his studies through the session of '92-'93 on account of illness, is again in college.

Our present officers are Stewart, G. M.; F. M. Daniel, G. M. C.; Durrett, G. S.; W. M. Daniel, G. T.; McLean, G. P.; Deaderick and Borders, Guards, and your humble correspondent continues to bore the readers of *THE CADUCEUS* with his rambling thoughts and jumbled ideas. However, I give the readers permission to skip over my letters and insist that they be not too conscientious in shirking what they may deem their duty—reading everything in *THE CADUCEUS*.

Yours fraternally,

MATT LYLE.

OCTOBER 1st, 1893.

PSI.

MAINE STATE COLLEGE, ORONO, ME.

It is with great pleasure that I make the first report of this new year to *THE CADUCEUS*, for since last report Psi has met only with prosperity.

All of our old members but three have returned this term, and we have already received into our number four good and loyal men, and have three more ready for next initiation.

This gives us at present a working force of thirteen men, soon to be increased to fifteen or more.

The new men that we take pleasure in introducing to the Greek world are Gilbert Tolman, '96; R. B. Manter, '96; W. N. Fowler, '97; and G. P. Albee, '97.

At the Commencement exercises we were well represented, as usual, and our graduating members bore high honors in their respective departments.

In the military department $K \Sigma$ is also in good standing, having one Captain, one First Lieutenant and Quartermaster, one First Sergeant, two line Sergeants, and two Corporals.

Wishing success to all of our $K \Sigma$ Chapters, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

G. H. HALL.

OCTOBER 14th, 1893.

ALPHA-BETA.

MERCER UNIVERSITY, MACON, GA.

Again it is my pleasure to add Alpha-Beta's quota of news to THE CADUCEUS, though it must needs be meagre, as Mercer has just opened her doors again for the reception of the youth of Georgia, and I find news rather scarce.

Alpha-Beta is here in old "Georgy" all alone, A and P having been unable to cope successfully with adverse circumstances, but we feel that we are here to stay, and have determined to do our utmost to advance the cause of $K \Sigma$ here. We miss the support and encouragement to be had from neighboring sister Chapters, and hope ere long to see those mentioned above again on a secure footing.

Our "nimble William" has had no exercise yet, but we will keep him busily engaged on Saturday night, the 30th inst., assisting four or five weary pilgrims traveling from afar over the rough and rugged road leading to Bologna's shrine. We feel very much encouraged over our Chapter's prospects.

Alpha-Beta extends a cordial welcome to her new-born sister, $A-M$, and wishes her unlimited success.

Fraternally,

MARK J. WHITE.

SEPTEMBER 27th, 1893.

ALPHA-IOTA.

U. S. GRANT UNIVERSITY, ATHENS, TENN.

We were made the happy recipients of the July number of *THE CADUCEUS* to-day, and it is useless for me to say that we were very much elated at receiving it, for every member of *K Σ* knows the feelings and emotions of a brother when he receives a new number of our journal and begins reading the kind words of his brothers, and it seems that his mind wanders into cloudland, where he can see the members of *K Σ* from Maine to Oregon, and associate them all together, forming a great golden rainbow on the pages of his imagination. For some unknown cause, Alpha-Iota failed to receive the March and May numbers, hence we were glad to know that we are still on the mailing list of *THE CADUCEUS*.

Just now the leaves of the forest are assuming a golden hue, and this is sufficient evidence for the student to know that he has already begun his labors, and that he will have to burn "the midnight oil" in his study many dreary and dark evenings before Nature will put on her new robe and spread out her foliage in a grand panorama upon which the successful student can feast his eyes with no little pleasure. U. S. G. U. has again opened her doors, and, as was expected, has the largest enrollment at any corresponding date in the history of the institution. Grant University, with her 600 students and 25 years of eventful history behind her, stands out as one of the centres of the intellectual world.

Eight of our men have returned, and are doing good work for *K Σ*.

Bro. Zeller graduated last Commencement, taking A. B. and a diploma in elocution. He has joined the Illinois Conference, and is stationed at a charge near Peoria. We also lost Bro. Radebaugh by graduation, and he is superintending a school at Creighton, Neb., at a large salary.

We have met and replenished the goat's allotted food and renovated his royal domicile. I now introduce to the readers

of **THE CADUCEUS** Walter Franklin, Calhoun, Ga., who has been made acquainted with the mysteries of the Greek world. He is well known in North Georgia as an editor and as an officer of the State, having resigned his position to enter school.

Your humble servant has just been elected president of the Senior Class.

Before this missive shall have been immersed in printers' ink, we shall have added a member to our roll who is worthy to wear the badge of the Order. I have just received a communication from *A*, and by this time she can report another member to her roll.

Greetings to all.

Fraternally,

J. ROBERT WESTBROOK.

OCTOBER 9th, 1893.

PERSONALS.

Z

P. C. Fauntleroy, after taking his degree at the University of Virginia, is now practicing medicine in Norfolk, Va.

H

Prof. D. B. Easter has resigned his position at Randolph-Macon College, and has gone to Wofford College, S. C., as Professor of German and French.

N

J. L. Ludwig, formerly with the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Co., Pittsburgh, has an office in the Havemeyer Building, Cortlandt and Church Streets, New York, and represents the Railway Equipment Co., of Chicago, and the Altoona Manufacturing Co., of Altoona, Pa., manufacturers of the Green engine. Bro. Ludwig handles electric railway material of all kinds, and is doing well in his new venture.

H

John A. Thayer, who, after leaving Swarthmore, went to Harvard Law School, has been admitted to the bar, and now occupies offices at 75½ Capitol St., Charleston, W. Va.

Y

'93. Henry A. Converse is now assistant in the Shenandoah Valley Academy at Winchester, Va.

Ø

S. P. Ross, after graduating at Southwestern Presbyterian University, and having attended the Summer Law School at the University of Virginia, is now in the "Windy City" doing the Fair, whence he will go to his home, Waco, Texas, to practice his profession.

'93. W. P. McLean is at the University of Texas studying law.

Boyd Johnson is practicing law in Clarksville, Tenn.

Louis S. Daniel, comedian, is "staging" in Chicago.

Gus. Henry is practicing law in Houston, Texas.

F. E. Snowden is bookkeeper for the Southern Pump and Lumber Co., Memphis, Tenn.

E. A. Snowden is in the Continental National Bank, Memphis, Tenn.

J. C. Botts is in Louisville, in a telegraph office.

Q

A. Y. Scott graduated in June with high honors from the Law Department of the University of Mississippi, and this fall enters the office of his father, Hon. Charles Scott, who is well known throughout the State as an able and brilliant lawyer. We append a clipping from the *Boliver County Democrat*, Rosedale, Miss:

"The following Oxford special to the *Memphis Commercial* will be read with interest by the citizens of Rosedale, and is very gratifying to the friends of Mr. Scott, whose achievements in school give promise of a brilliant career when he enters the practice of his profession. Coming from a long line of distinguished lawyers, whose ability he seems to have inherited, and having all the advantages of a thorough training, his success may be confidently predicted.

" 'The Commencement of the University of Mississippi of '93 is fast drawing to a close. It has been the most brilliant within the history of this modern old institution. The exercises of to-day consisted of orations by the seniors and the conferring of degrees.

" 'Honor-man of the law class is George M. Brown, of Natchez, who delivered the valedictory address. The address of A. Yerger Scott, of the law class, was decidedly the most classical and brilliant of the day. A bright future is predicted by all who heard him.' "

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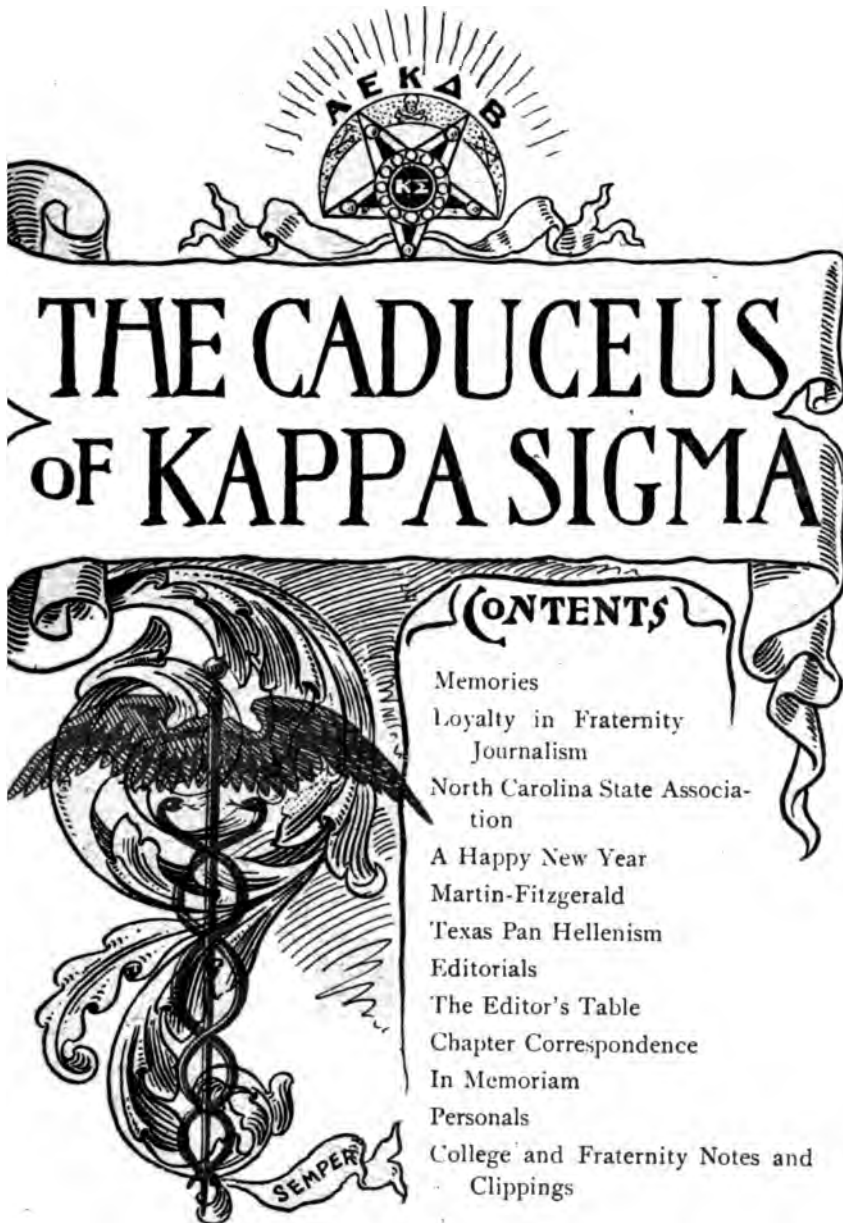
To the Grand Treasurers of K Σ:

BROS.—You will please report to me *at once* the number of old men returned to your respective Chapters for the College year 1893-94. In sending in this report, be sure to state full name of every old man, and also give list of Chapter officers.

If your Chapter has initiated any new men this year—since fall term began—report all such on the printed form you have for that purpose. And be certain to remit *all Grand Dues as soon as initiation is over*. I must have the above reports as soon as possible, so please give the matter your prompt attention.

Fraternally in K Σ,

S. W. MARTIN, W. G. T.



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MEMORIES.

THE rain patters on the window-pane, and the wind sobs and sighs and murmurs in its sadness. The whispers are as one of comfort to one oppressed. You draw your chair closer to the fire—the letters drop to the floor. Letters! Bearers of good and evil tidings, brimful of joy or laden with sorrow, they travel on together to gladden the heart of one, to fill with sadness the other. And what memories this one recalls, what sorrows it brings to you. Ned gone? The dear old boy gone? It cannot be so. Ned, so brimful of activity and life. That gay, careless, large-hearted boy, your college chum, gone!

—But there is the letter with its words and sombre border showing distinctly, as the fire blazes up, mocking you in your sorrow.

The noise and bustle of the street below is almost lost in the sobbing of the wind. The rattle of the cabs, the stumbling of the street-car horses on the stone pavements, the rumble of the coaches come to you as if afar off and combine in one low, fevered accompaniment to the melancholy playing of the wind.

The fire blazes up and throws long shadows across the room. Those old photographs in that old desk over there, that old dusty college cap, that old dog-collar and faded colors—what memories they bring back!

You press your fevered forehead against the cool window-glass and look into the street below, watch the raindrops on the pavement jumping up and down as if making merry at the jaded horses struggling, stumbling along with their heavy loads. You see the ill-clad beggar crouching against the buildings to escape the wrath of the elements, the weary and the heavy-laden, both man and beast, out in a cold and dreary world, with the leaden sky above giving no promise of the glory that will come on the morrow.

You seek the warmth again, you light your pipe, and as the blue clouds ascend you forget the world without and live over those golden days, those days at college. You and Ned are boys again. You care not for the world or its opinions.

—The flames go dancing before you as of yore, darting like little sprites up the chimney, now alone and now together, vanishing into the darkness beyond—as the days and weeks fly from you and are lost in the great past.

You remember when you first met Ned. It is simply Ned now—Ned the boy, and not the man—not the brilliant lawyer of later years. You remember how he came into your room in that old gray dormitory one day when all was “blue” and mournful, when you were thinking of the ones at home and wished yourself there, as you gazed on the darkened sky and listened moodily to the sparrows chattering about the eaves quarreling among themselves, everything seemingly out of sorts. You were homesick, that was all, and in came Ned with his cheery smile to cure all and carry you away from your brooding over nothing to meet “the boys.”

And some time after he asked you to join his “Frat.,” and, dropping his carelessness for once, with some of the eloquence that afterward made him famous, recited to you the ancient history of the grand old Order that you afterward learned to love. How favored and proud you felt when you were wanted by those fellows to be a “brother,” a member of their Fraternity!

You doubted if they knew you well enough to so honor you, but you accepted with pride and became their "brother" and *bon comrade*, ready to do and die for any one of them.

Ah! you foolish boy, you little knew then about this "rushing"—this hurry to get men "pledged"—this taking in of men for the name and increase in numbers. You might have felt less honored if you knew of the hasty action and disregard of the character of men that some Chapters have so often displayed, this lack of conservatism, this feverish wish for *extension* which has in it the germ of the downfall of the grand Greek system.

You remember your fear and trembling when the time came for you to be initiated into the mysteries that lifted you above the "barbarians" around you, and when it was all over how proud you were to wear that jeweled badge of your Order, the Star, the emblem of the steadfast faith of the Christian; the Crescent, the token of the zeal and ardor of the Moslem.

You were then inseparable, and you loved Ned more each day. The personality of the boy charmed you; the flashes of latent talent dazzled you. But, Ned, old man, you would not study! Try as they would to make you work, you would not! They would dig out their Greek together, "root" it out if you will, but how nervous and fidgety the boy would get. Before it was half through, he could stand it no longer, and would fling the book across the room with, "Away with the ancients and their philosophy, I want none of it in mine!"

He would drop in an easy-chair with a pipe and a comic paper, and argue as you would, you could not move him. Talk to him earnestly and he would whistle an operatic melody, get angry, and he would say, "Oh! come, old man, don't fuss about me, 'Prof.' won't call on me to-morrow, and any way I must go and get 'Jack;' haven't seen him to-day."

—And at the thought of Jack you forget your sorrow—forget the letter on the floor beside you—dear old Jack! you ugly dog. How you used to cock your brindled "phiz" on one side and blink at the boys in a knowing way. And the time Ned found you "holding the fort" and possession of the room, while old black Ben, the darkey servant, stood caught in the doorway afraid to move; how Ned did laugh! "Never liked them

niggers, no how," did you? Now Ned laughed; that jolly, jolly laugh. No more merriment from poor old Ned now.

Ah! those times when you were boys together, those care-less wanderings through the country, down old lanes, through dark woods; those moonlight nights, when you sat on the window-seats watching the stars, the golden moon, and trying to look beyond; the tinkle of guitars and mandolins, the plash of water in the river afar off, the melody of the boatmen's song as they worked at their nets—and then again the memory of bright lights, of pretty faces, of boyish pride and girlish love, of the music of the dance, of flowers of fragrance, of all that is beautiful.

Oh! those happy days of long ago! Happy the man who has appreciated their worth—they are gone—gone. The days gone by, the days with glad belief in everything, the days without a care are gone.

—The fire burns low, your pipe has become bitter, it is growing dark and darker, the rain no longer falls, and all is hushed and still. The world is sad and cold and dark. The joys of the past are all the sweeter for the pangs and bitter disappointments of the present. Boyhood is over. The world is a stern reality, and men must work.

Bear with patience the darkness of the present, and look toward the glory that is to come.

And may you and Ned be boys again!

LOYALTY IN FRATERNITY JOURNALISM.

BY JOHN E. BROWN, EDITOR OF "THE SCROLL" OF
PHI DELTA THETA.

(Read at the Congress of Editors, Memorial Art Palace, Chicago, Ill., July 19th, 1893.)

LOYALTY has ever been the shibboleth of the American college Fraternity. The first Fraternity had its origin in the firm loyalty to each other of a few chosen friends. The system, with its numerous branches, has arisen through the loyalty of these fraternal circles to the

one Order whose name they have accepted and whose badge they wear. Without it there is no Fraternity, for loyalty is nothing more, and again, nothing less, than fidelity to the obligations assumed in forming fraternal ties. The courts do not deal with the vows of the candidate at the altar of a civic society, neither does the law lay hands on the one who disregards the oath he may have taken at such an altar. The statutes in no way measure the broken obligation or fix the penalty therefor.

But, happily, however, the manhood which conceived these Orders and furnishes their support has raised a standard, coeval with their inception, by which the worthy and unworthy, the true and the false, may be judged. That standard we not only know, but we likewise warmly cherish. It is the standard of loyalty.

Broadly but justly defined, loyalty means devotion to all the obligations assumed by Fraternity membership. It is scarcely necessary in such an assemblage as this to enumerate these obligations, which, it will not be denied, include not only the promotion of the objects contemplated by the individual Fraternity, but, likewise, adherence to the welfare and associations of that Society over and above that of all others. Not the one especially, not the other less imperatively, but to all—individually and collectively—an undivided loyalty.

Nor does it contemplate a dividing line, drawn at graduation, after which its burden is lessened. Its manifestation is not for the undergraduate alone, but for all time it is sought to have the expression of fraternal interest. Time removes the member from the field which gives frequent opportunity for such expression of his interest, but, none the less, when the opportunities are offered, should it be lacking. The ideal alumnus is he who stands ready as he can to counsel, aid, and encourage the enterprises of each new college generation of his brothers. The young and old are to be sons of a common *Alma Mater*, whom each shall cherish with increasing measure as the days go by.

Loyalty can only be completely defined by an enumeration of the duties it entails upon the person. We have referred to

those toward one's own Order. But the principle upon which the best loyalty rests demands, in addition to these virtues toward his fellows in the faith, that he should put the same lessons to use in all his associations. A careful study will convince any one that the obligations to his own entails a respectful recognition of the worthy merits and rights of similar Orders. Any infringement of these rights is an infraction of the principle upon which the members of his own Order stand in fractional union.

No one will be so blinded as to claim that all Greek-letter Fraternities are exactly similar in character or of equal general merit. In policies, colleges entered, standards of membership, and other features, they have differed widely. Even those which have held to similar policies will be found to rest on achievements far different in nature.

It is as natural that Fraternities should vary in character as that human nature should not be exactly the same in each individual. The philosophy of inequality has much to do in exciting the best powers of man. Through inequalities, and, therefore, varied tastes, wants, and powers, man develops his highest capabilities.

The student who to-day enters a typical and representative institution of learning, finds Chapters that to him vary in local prestige and merit, and that represent widely different policies on the part of their general Fraternity. Certain virtues on his part may open the doors of all those to his choice. He is to judge not only of their general merits, but of the congenial atmosphere he will find in each. This is the pre-requisite which it is assumed that every man who comes to the Fraternity altar has fully considered and settled in his own mind. The Fraternity and the Chapter are entities before him for his consideration. From the invitation to its acceptance he is supposed to have investigated—not so much the question whether the Fraternity system is based upon sound principles and embody good teachings, for the college man seldom debates this—but he seeks to decide whether the companionship offered him by this invitation will meet his desires for congeniality and prove help-

ful to him in social, scholastic, and moral ways. We say that *this* is the question that every man must decide for himself ere he crosses the Fraternity threshold ; and the decision once made, his duty to himself, his obligation, and his character demand that nothing but "cause" shall temper the loyalty entailed thereby.

The very first object of fraternity is to furnish a sure and sweet basis for the development of strong character. There should be intelligent choice of Fraternity association, and, subsequent to this, the member's plain duty is to endeavor to make the Fraternity better for his membership, and, in turn, to assimilate the privileges it may offer him that he himself may be the better man for his associations. For the furtherance of this object, membership assumes a compact for mutual helpfulness, each to supplement the efforts of the other in a common endeavor to put into practice the precepts of the Order.

Should the Fraternity or Chapter fail in its compact, what recourse has the member ? If the member is lax to his obligations, where does the duty of the Fraternity lie ? It is easy to quote rules where the Fraternity and members live up to their mutual obligations, but the line of action is not so easily mapped out where difficulties have arisen. We do not hold that Fraternity ties cannot be honorably dissolved, for we believe circumstances can arise making such dissolution proper. But we do hold that the supreme obligation of the candidate at the altar is summed up in the word loyalty. And through all the experiences of his Fraternity life, he who makes the best type of this virtue his guide will not only develop the best-grounded character on which he can build in later life, but will add to the benefit and pleasure of his fraternal ties.

Loyalty as a quality is instinctive in every person and enterprise, but its intensity is largely dependent on surroundings and teachings. We do not, then, have to ask what is the duty of the Fraternity journal in regard to this question. Our only concern need be, how shall it best exert its influence for the development of the highest grade of the virtue.

It has not been with any intention of magnifying the importance of the editorial position that the papers of this Con-

gress have dwelt on the wide-reaching influence of the Fraternity magazine upon the system, but rather under a sense of the responsibilities which the position must assume.

In the same spirit do we affirm that the Fraternity journal, where it exists, has more to do with the loyalty of a member to his Fraternity than any of its ritualistic, constitutional, or official declarations. He is taught that the Chapter is but a part of the Fraternity idea. He can easily judge of the principles which guide his Chapter, but for the general Fraternity which lies beyond he looks to the journal as the index. And, indeed, as his Chapter varies from the standard set by the journal, he is willing to believe that it is errant from the spirit of the Order. If loyalty is a duty of the Fraternity and of the member, it is then the duty of the journal to follow the course which will inculcate its highest standard.

By what means will this be best reached? We find it difficult to analyze what we consider the line of conduct which the ideal magazine should pursue, but under the following heads have mentioned principles which seem to us to be applicable to the Greek press as a body :

First.—There must be earnestness and sincerity in the work. He who conducts a Fraternity journal must be of the firm belief that the Fraternity system as it exists is a power for good in our colleges, and again, of the conviction that his own Society is exerting an influence helpful to all within its fold, and that its associations are worthy of the very best social, intellectual, and moral elements of our students. Unless the magazine can be backed by the earnestness which comes from such convictions, it can formulate little matter but what will be tinged with formality and emptiness. The minister of cold heart, however rare his genius, can make few converts. The magazine can create little loyalty that is not itself thoroughly imbued with the ideas it would teach.

Second.—Its policy must be broad and uniform. Any vacillating, fluctuating, weather-vane policy not only weakens its influence, but in turn gives the stamp of instability to its Order. For this reason the maturer hand is needed to control its

destinies. From undergraduate the Greek press has gone to graduate control, and from raw recruits has turned to those of longer experience in general Fraternity work. A member may have been most successful in Chapter work, one whom the Chapter may be pleased to call a model, yet until he has had experience in other lines of general work, and learned to harmonize the numerous influences at work beyond his Chapter, the Fraternity has not the assurance that he can justly represent the whole Order, for the magazine must rise wholly above any prejudices which may be the relic of undergraduate rivalries.

Third.—It must be catholic in its recognition of the worthy merits of others. Fraternities, as we have said, are not all equal, but that does deny rights of competition. Where merit predominates over weakness it should be recognized—not in mere formality, but in the respect at all times due it, and again in the spirit in which the acquisitions of its own Order are mentioned. Two classes of men deserve pity: First, those who are not thoroughly proud of their own Order; the other, those who conceive that their own is the only successful one.

Fourth.—It must be devoted to truth and truth alone, if it would inspire a lasting loyalty to the Order it represents. Any statements or claims into which the element of untruth enters, or any argument save what stands the searching test, is sure to rebound against the Order it is meant to defend. The college Fraternity is intrusted with the care of young manhood at its formative period when impressions are most easily made, and longest retained. Shall these organizations then promulgate anything save that which the truth commands? Will true character accept anything less, or cleave to a support so frail? Can the Fraternity hope to retain the loyalty of the outgoing graduate whose yea or nay in years to come has much to do with the welfare of his Order, if he has to look back to associations that worked out its ends in any but the ways of truth?

Fifth.—It should insist on the maintenance of the highest code of ethics recognized by its Order.

Human nature at its best is weak and liable to err, and if the journal, the criterion of the Order, accepts less than the

highest code, we must look for many miserable compromises on the part of the Chapters when it comes to a question of ethics.

It has seemed to us that no greater breach is open for the entrance of disloyalty than through the complaisance with which a journal may regard acts at variance with the accepted codes of its Order, which at the time may seem like acquisitions over a rival. The Order which taboos lifting and yet defends the occasional accession to its ranks in this manner, cannot lay its (metaphorical) hand over its heart and cry "shame" when the treason it before justified is at its own expense.

The journal should be unwavering in its allegiance, then, to the code adopted by its own Fraternity, whatever that may be, hold fast to it and the duties it entails, being satisfied with nothing less. The code should be as solid as adamant until a better one was found. Respect for the law is the inspiration of prosperity. Its disregard is invitation to shame.

We are satisfied that harmonious views upon these lines and a determination on the part of each journal to enforce the standard of ethics of its Order will have much to do with further elevating the code by which each shall strive to work out its chosen ends. Not by pan-hellenic Constitutions or By-Laws, but through the individual sense of honor, instinctive to each Order.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE ASSOCIATION.

ALL those interested in the founding of a State Association in North Carolina, and who read the last CADUCEUS—and we hope all brothers are interested in such undertakings—will doubtless read with pleasure the following clipping from *The Daily Standard*, of Concord, N. C.:

"GREEKS AT CONCORD.

"THE BANQUET GIVEN LAST THURSDAY NIGHT—THE EVENT OF THE SEASON—A STATE ORGANIZATION EFFECTED—THE TOASTS—THE BALL.

"The crowning feature of the Christmas holidays was the banquet given by the *K Σ* Fraternity of North Carolina. For

some time preparations have been making for the organization of a State Association. Mr. W. W. Morris, of this place, an enthusiastic *K Σ*, sprung the question on the Fraternity of the State, which culminated, Thursday evening, in speaking such an association into existence, with the following officers:

"W. W. Morris, President; T. C. Daniels, First Vice-President; G. R. Little, Second Vice-President; A. G. Little, Third Vice-President; J. F. Hurley, Secretary and Treasurer; J. C. Fink, Chaplain; L. T. Hartsell, Doorkeeper.

"After the details had been dispatched, the convention, in a body, marched to the St. Cloud Hotel, where they met a few invited Greek letter men of other Fraternities and repaired to the banquet hall. Under the exquisite taste of Mrs. Dusenbery, the festive board groaned with its weight of viands. The *menu* was perhaps the most elaborate ever seen at any former banquet. Oysters were served in every style; then quail on toast. It would be doing Mrs. Dusenbery an injustice to attempt to describe in general terms the many appetizing attractions. It was superb!

"The different courses being served in elegant style by her well-trained waiters, that aider of digestion, which Timothy advocates, began to make the acquaintance of the feasters.

"While the ceiling rebounded the effervescing cork, Dr. Herring, as toast-master (and in this Dr. Herring is thoroughly at home with all graces and equipments of a born toast-master), arose and, in a few remarks, spoke of banquets as being a crowning feature of all great events. He observed assembled at the festive board college men and married men. He observed further that the college man was ever ready to respond to any toast in pure rhetoric, but the married man had lost his cunning. He is not given to speaking late at night. He could not be denominated as being hen-pecked, but circumstances had made him quiet in speech, but wonderful in thought.

"He was sorry the newspaper men were not present. Like the people invited to the marriage feast, excuses were rendered. He said the Editor was a most important man; he announced our marriage; predicted our birth and chronicled our death.

He magnified our virtues—if we didn't have any, he generally supplied them, and generally made us more respectable in death than we were in life. The genial Toast-Master closed his remarks by asking all present to quaff the sparkling cup to the proposed toasts:

"*H* Prime, and called on Mr. T. C. Daniels to respond. It will be remembered that Mr. Daniels is the champion foot-ball player of North Carolina. He is also a champion speaker.

"*X* Φ was responded to by the inimitable J. C. Wadsworth; he would use the toast as a text but would not confine himself closely to it. He wrote a speech once and about the time he had delivered one page, under high pressure, a puff of wind took his manuscript out through the window. The teacher sent him out of the house to suck wind, and he had been at it ever since. While he couldn't make a speech he always returned his text in good shape.

"*A* *M* was responded to by Mr. Gerard Wittson, who spoke in a happy style.

"*A* was responded to by Mr. J. D. McDowell, who is a good and thoughtful speaker.

"*K* Σ was responded to by Mr. W. W. Morris, who has done so much to bring about the organization. He was in a happy frame of mind at seeing his fondest hopes realized; his exquisite response was a surprise to even his most intimate friends.

"'The State Association' and Mr. J. F. Hurley was called. Not many people are aware that Jim can speak; but he is both dignified and funny, and his remarks were well received.

"'Star and Crescent' was responded to by Mr. J. C. Fink. The first part of his remarks was in reply to what the Toast-Master said, 'the married man has lost his cunning.' He showed a wonderful amount of tact in discussing the subject, and abundantly proved that he was not only a good thinker but a good speaker.

"*K* *A* was responded to by Mr. B. E. Harris. He is a fluent speaker with affable manner. He has an easy confidence, which should be studied by all after-dinner speakers.

"As the wee sma' hours began to dawn upon the banquetters, Toast-Master Herring announced that the festivities would be brought to a close. He thanked the gentlemen for their prompt and happy responses. And, since one of the invited guests—Dr. Young—had prepared a climax to the festive occasion for the especial benefit of the banquetters, the Toast-Master proposed that all hide a drop to his good health. The banquetters repaired to the doctor's home, where fair beauties were awaiting a pleasant dance.

"Thus ended the dreams of Mr. Morris. The expressions on every hand are: 'Wasn't the dinner fine?' 'Didn't everything pass off nicely?'

"It was a happy evening for the Greeks!"

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

WITH the last number of the present volume, with all the colleges well under way on a new term, and new men being "spiked" and "ridden," with the approaching holidays and many good times before us, our thoughts turn toward the new year, and may it be "A Happy New Year." With the country in financial distress, with many grave problems confronting our statesmen—or politicians (?)—with the workingman out of employment, and the poor crying in despair, it is remarkable that our colleges and universities show such an increase in attendance. From the greater universities, such as Harvard and Yale, down to what have been termed "the little cross-road colleges of the South and West," the increase in attendance over last year has been most marked. The records show that in times of general distress the attendance at the colleges throughout the country is greater than in times of national prosperity. This may be explained by the supposition that in times of prosperity more young men are tempted to enter the business world, in hopes of profiting by the improved condition of trade and commerce, rather than spend their time at college studying for a profession in which success

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is much less assured and more slow to come. In times of distress, when business is stagnated and openings for young men few, parents send their sons to college to have a better preparation for the life work and struggle before them. However this may all be, the fact remains that our colleges have entered on a prosperous year, a year that should also be a successful one for our Fraternity. The Chapters, for the most part, have had enough men return to start the new term with flying colors, and with a large attendance, plenty of good material for initiates is assured. A number of our Chapters have better Chapter-rooms, and several have rented houses fitted for their Fraternity and domestic needs, and with such a home they are better able to compete with the old-established Fraternities about them. Let the good work go on. Let every Chapter and every member remember the Fraternity of which they should be proud, and let everything be done to raise the standing of the Order they have sworn to love and cherish. Everything done to beautify the club-rooms, the Fraternity house, to raise the members in college or social standing, is aiding the Fraternity. *K Σ* is no longer a Southern Order. It is becoming a national Order, and, to attain rank in the North, Chapter houses are necessary. Let all work tend toward this end. Let us all work with a will. Let us as active members and Alumni remember the glorious past, and with thoughts ever for the Star and Crescent we so proudly wear, do all we can for the advancement and glory of the Order. May the Chapters and individuals have success! May it be a Happy New Year to us all!

MARTIN—FITZGERALD.

THE readers of THE CADUCEUS will find, upon looking over the personals in this number, the brief announcement of the marriage of Herbert M. Martin, W. G. S., to Miss Fannie B. Fitzgerald, of North Danville, Va., on December 7th.

The historian should doubtless chronicle all facts as they

are, but we will leave it for all $K \Sigma$'s to read between the lines of the newspaper clippings the little romance that we hardly expected of our W. G. S. Those who read aright will understand why the engraver lost a commission and why friends were not invited from far and wide to join in one vast procession of vehicles, to "drive across the line." Forgiving him for the slight in not inviting them to be present at a ceremony that they would have attended with unbounded pleasure, his many friends will wish joy and happiness to both his bonny bride and to him who well knew that "faint heart ne'er won fair lady."

Herbert M. Martin is a man of whom $K \Sigma$'s may well be proud, and one whom they may thank for invaluable work and untiring zeal for the good of the Order. He needs no introduction to any wearer of the Star and Crescent, and THE CADUCEUS, the Chapters and the Fraternity at large wish him and his bride unmeasured happiness and success, and Godspeed.

TEXAS PAN-HELLENISM.

(B Θ Π)

THE college fraternity men of Dallas deserve great credit for the admirable entertainment provided by them for the occasion of the second annual meeting of the Texas Pan-Hellenic Association, held in that city October 26th and 27th. It is no small amount of trouble to arrange a meeting of college men, with no specific object in view except to have a good time, when said college men haven't seen the inside of a class room for an average, say, of fifteen years, and have so neglected their Fraternity life as to forget its motto.

Distances in Texas are much larger than in most States. Cities are farther apart and colleges fewer, there being but two institutions in the State where Fraternities exist, all of which increases the difficulties usually surrounding the promoters of such gatherings.

However, there are many men from other colleges and universities in other States in northern Texas, and among them many good Betas in whose mouth the taste of "dorg" remains

not as a memory alone. The meeting was a tremendous success, and the source of much satisfaction to those who labored against many odds to organize the association in Fort Worth in the early part of September, 1892. There were more than twice as many in attendance this year. More Fraternities were represented, and Greek-letter men came longer distances to meet their fellows.

A very neat invitation was sent out by Mr. Secretary McKay, $\Phi \Delta \Phi$, of Dallas, addressed to "Knights of Greek-Letter Fame," bidding them to be at the Oriental Hotel in Dallas on the evening of October 26th, "to paint anew the roseate hours of college days." With it was mailed a circular assuring every Fraternity man that the simple fact that he was possessed of a few secrets that were considered, at least, not public property, would constitute him a member in good standing of the Texas Pan-Hellenic Association and exempt from all dues.

The fact that the State Fair was to be open at that time added to the attraction, October 27th having been set aside as "College Fraternity Day," when suitable exercises of public interest would be conducted by the Fraternity men on the grounds.

A business meeting was held in the parlors of the Oriental on the evening of the banquet, and it was decided to hold the third meeting in Dallas again, as it seemed the most desirable and convenient point. Officers for the past year, consisting of W. B. Paddock, $B \Theta \Pi$, President; A. L. Matlock, $\Lambda K E$, Vice-President; D. P. McKay, $\Phi \Delta \Phi$, Secretary, and J. B. Lewright, $\Phi \Delta \Phi$, Treasurer, were all elected for a second term. Then came the banquet, which was really the event of the meeting. Around the table were the members of more than a score of different Fraternities, from probably as many institutions, but that did not lessen the enthusiasm and good feeling which prevailed. Hon. Richard Morgan, $B \Theta \Pi$, acted as symposiarch, and with a few words as to each, carried out the following programme of toasts:

When Greek meets Greek, E. R. Meek, $\Lambda K E$.
 Our Alma Mater, Robt. B. Leay, $B \Theta \Pi$.

Ups and Downs of Student Life, . . .	J. A. Beall, <i>B θ II</i> .
The Press,	F. Doremus, <i>Δ K E</i> .
The Ladies,	W. B. Thomas, Jr., <i>K Σ</i> .
College Reminiscences,	P. K. Ewing, <i>B θ II</i> .
Auld Lang Syne,	F. L. Irvine, <i>Φ Γ Δ</i> .
When We Meet Again,	R. W. Flournoy, <i>Σ A E</i> .

Unfortunately Mr. Meek was unable to be present, and his place was taken by W. B. Paddock, *B θ II*. Rev. J. D. Drunne, *Z Ψ*, responded for Mr. Beall. Though Mr. Leay was present, at his own request his toast was given to Mr. W. L. Hall, *Ψ Υ*.

The speeches were all bright, witty, and entertaining, and in spite of the fact that it was nearly time for Mr. Doremus' *Dallas News* to be on the street, the crowd insisted on hearing more, making their choice known in a way that left no doubt as to who were their favorites. College songs and national airs, together with class and Fraternity yells, echoed through the hotel corridors long after the table was deserted.

A large crowd was assembled in Music Hall, at the fair grounds, the following morning, the Fraternity men occupying seats on the stage. Hon. Presley K. Ewing, *B B*, of *B θ II*, of Houston, was the orator of the day, and his oration on "The Fraternity Spirit" was listened to with great interest, the approval of the audience showing itself in frequent and loud applause.

EDITORIALS.

We call the attention of our readers to the excellent article "Loyalty in Fraternity Journalism," read by Dr. J. E. Brown, editor of *The Scroll of Φ Λ Θ* , at the Congress of Fraternity Editors at the World's Fair, Chicago, July 19th, 1893. They will find the article full of interest and valuable suggestions, and the Chapters of the Order can, with advantage, take to heart much that is said regarding the unswerving loyalty, earnestness, sincerity, and recognition of the merits of others that should characterize the ideal Fraternity man.

Chapters are requested to send Chapter letters for next number *at once*. The editors appreciate the fact that the Magazine must be published on time, and it will hereafter appear between the 1st and 15th of the month of issue. All Chapter correspondents are requested to aid in this matter, as THE CADUCEUS has often been held back by the editors on account of lack of contributions, and hesitancy in issuing numbers not up to the former standard. Hearty co-operation and Fraternity enthusiasm and support will place THE CADUCEUS in its proper position in Greek journalism.

WANTED—Contributions, such as essays, bits of history regarding colleges and Chapters, poems, sketches of Fraternity and college life, personals and news items of interest—in fact, literary contributions of any kind that will be of interest to the fraternity and college man. Especially desired are articles on Fraternity government and Fraternity needs.

WANTED—Enthusiasm, co-operation, and the strong hand of every man who wears the badge to do the best possible for the advancement of the Order and all its attributes.

Some time ago prizes were offered for the best literary contributions submitted to the editors of THE CADUCEUS, within the year, but as yet no one has come to the front. We wish to make many improvements in our Magazine during the coming year, and hope to awaken interest among our readers. THE CADUCEUS cannot advance unless well supported. We are here to edit and publish the Magazine, but we are not manufacturers, and appeal to the Fraternity at large to assist us in our efforts.

The work on the catalogue has reached a certain point, and then like a Mississippi steamboat, "stuck." The hard point has been reached and the old members must be found. With changed addresses, new vocations, and separated from college life and active membership by many years it is difficult to find them all. Every effort should be made by both active and Alumni members to forward all data within their reach to the editor, who has already begun the task of classifying and arranging the many names. By the time of the next Conclave we hope the catalogue will be in such condition that arrangements can be made for its immediate publication. In the meantime let all work with a will and do their little part.

It is not too soon to look forward to the next Conclave. At the last one no place was named for the meeting in 1894. We would be pleased to hear from all the Chapters as regards their views, so that the matter may be thoroughly discussed before the S. E. C. is called upon to name the place. Due credit must be given to the fact that $\kappa \Sigma$ has advanced into new territory, and is more widely spread over the country, and Western as well as Southern and Northern brothers should be shown consideration, and have a chance at the prize—the honor of having a Conclave within their midst.

THE EDITOR'S TABLE.

The *K A Journal* for October is a good, solid number. Main place is given to a lengthy and detailed account of the recent Convention held in Richmond, Va., which seems to have been a pleasant and profitable affair throughout.

The *Journal* contains much of interest to all Greeks. Especially timely are the following spirited words of the editor in regard to the Greek press, and its apparent tendency to decline :

“Oh, why the deuce should I repine,
And be an ill-foreboder?”—*Burns*.

“Fraternity journalism seems to be somewhat on the wane. Somehow there is a lack of interest and force displayed in the conduct of the various magazines. Surely it is not the certain decline that comes from the ascent to the acme of excellence! However, let the reason be as it may, the fact remains an absolute truth. That is, it so appears to the editor in this corner of the sanctum. There is less regularity in the appearance of the magazines. They cannot be expected with any certainty, upon any fixed or definite day, or within any given number of days. A Fraternity publication in possession of full health is like the appetite of a vigorous man—always punctual in presenting its claims upon the public. There is the same pleasure in witnessing the promptness of a Fraternity magazine as in witnessing the energetic gait of the hungry man to the laden table.

“But more than this, the best magazines of four or five years ago have lost their places to a great extent. Their brilliancy has been dulled. Their sparkle has become rather lusterless. The whole tenor of many is machine-like and tending to monotonies. The contribution department is not filled with satisfactory matter. Sometimes when a drouth has visited the farm, the corn-crib—as we country boys used to say—was

left only partly filled and much space was occupied by that class of product known to the hoosier as 'nubbins.' It sometimes seems as if the various contributions were made up of the 'nubbins' of thought. There is a constant appearance of effort to fill. This condition is in striking contrast to the appearance of the magazines a few years ago, when the exchange table was covered with magazines, full from cover to cover with thoughts that seem to represent the effervescence of enthusiastic and able minds.

"There is, however, one wing of Fraternity journalism which has not only maintained its excellence, but has almost universally progressed. That wing is the feminine wing. The sororities have just reason to be proud of their magazines. While the present writer of the 'Greek Press' is an avowed woman hater, he believes in giving them justice. He is actuated by the same impelling force which prompts a bestowal of his dues upon the Satanic majesty.

"It is to be hoped that the decline in Fraternity journalism is but temporary; that the volumes of the magazines during the coming year may be indicative of renewed energy and strength.

"There is no department of a college Fraternity that can be the instrument of greater good than the magazine. The history of Fraternities, at least of our Fraternity, proves that during the prosperity of the Fraternity organ the whole Order becomes alive, and progress is rapid and safe.

"The decline of Fraternity journalism, if there be such a decline, is deplorable. It means much of ill to Fraternities in general and in particular."

We trust all our Chapter correspondents will give especial heed to the following well-advised little lecture. Kappa-Alpha is not the only Fraternity that has cause to complain of miserable Chapter letters. It is an evil prevalent in all Fraternities, although it is certainly a reproach to the name of college or Fraternity. Says the *Journal* on this topic:

"It has been necessary and advisable from time to time to discuss the duties of the Chapter Secretaries. It seems that it

is more difficult to have these officers thoroughly understand their duties to the *Journal* than to any other department of the Fraternity.

"It is the duty of every Chapter Secretary to write a letter for each issue of the *Journal*, and it is also the duty of this officer to write the best letter he knows how to write. The average reader of a Fraternity magazine, especially the magazine of a Fraternity to which he does not belong, peruses the department devoted to the communications from the Chapters. From this department he proposes to gather such information as will enable him to form an estimate of the character and of the active members of the organization. If these letters are crude, are ill-expressed, bombastic, or meagre, the impression is unfavorable, and this estimate of the membership thereby represented is low.

"While, as a fact, Chapter letter writers do not always in their communications reflect the true likeness of the Chapter as a whole, yet generally they do.

"A good Chapter, one composed of intelligent and educated men, will hardly be willing to be represented to their co-Chapters and to the world at large by a man who writes a hurried scrawl, badly expressing a few nothings; or who attempts to make up for his deficiencies by a cloud of words and sententious phrasing.

"A Chapter, with a proper conception of duty, will hardly be contented to have a correspondent who has to be prodded, from time to time, by the editor, in order to get a letter from him."

The *Journal* notes *K Σ*'s extension into the North, and the better feeling existing between our Northern and Southern members. The present writer has more than once pointed out the good work *K Σ* can do and is doing in the way of cementing the hearts of true North Americans with the hearts of true South Americans. Had *K Σ* no other reason for existence, this alone would be all sufficient. The *Journal* says:

"Since the editorship of the *K Σ CADUCEUS* has gone into other hands the policy of that Fraternity has undergone

quite an alteration. There formerly existed bitter feelings among some of the Southern Chapters toward their Northern brothers, this fact being prominently aired editorially immediately after their Washington Convention, where it was said to have cropped out.

"The following clipping is from an editorial in the last issue :

" 'The list of initiates for the college year '92-'93 shows an addition to *K Σ* of 216 men. Of this number 133 come from the Southern States and 83 are Northerners. *K Σ* has been steadily branching out and growing stronger each day, and the coming year will undoubtedly show greater advancement. More brothers can now be found in the North, and Alumni Associations are being formed in several of the Northern cities, and this coming fall and winter much will be done in this line of alumni work.'

"Her most recent additions to the Chapter roll have been the University of Vermont, University of North Carolina, and Trinity College, North Carolina."

The Journal makes note of the fact that "Louisiana has three Fraternity 'State Conventions' more than any other Southern State—*K Σ*, *Σ N*, and *K A*—to promote enthusiasm and discuss means for furthering the interests of their respective Orders."

The Kappa Alpha Theta for October lends the same sort of brightness to our table that a gayly-gowned young woman does to a collection of young men in sombre full-dress. The dear editors (we have sworn not to say editresses) regale us with this delightfully suggestive story. We can only wish that there were more such college mottoes and that the Roman pronunciation of them held full sway :

It was in the olden days (says the *Boston Budget*), when they were trying to introduce the Roman pronunciation of Latin instead of the Continental. They wanted to pronounce Cicero "Kickero" and Julius Cæsar "Yulius Kizer." Of course for a

time there was a determined opposition, but gradually the schools fell into line with the colleges, and the Roman pronunciation soon held undisputed sway. But there was one female seminary in western Massachusetts that successfully resisted the progress of those hated C's and J's. To the faculty it was more a question of expediency than of principle, so in open session it was "*Resolved*, That the faculty of H— Ladies' Seminary condemns the introduction of the Roman method of Latin pronunciation, since the motto of the seminary forbids it." The motto was "*Jubet Vicissim*."

The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta for October is a decidedly interesting number, especially to all members of that Fraternity. "Songs of Phi Delta Theta," "The Creed of the Fraternity," "Development and Chapter Roll," "Relations Between Chapters," "The Membership Roll," "Relation of Alumni to Fraternity," "Chapter Homes," "Fraternities in General"—a substantial menu certainly. Moreover it contains a number of group picture of leading Chapters.

In the article on "Fraternities in General" some statistics of interest are given.

Phi Delta Theta's roll includes 69 colleges in 28 States. Among the Eastern Fraternities $\Psi \chi$ has 20 Chapters in 11 States; $\Delta K E$ has 34 Chapters; $\Delta \Delta \Phi$, 19; $\Sigma \Phi$, 8; $Z \Psi$, 22; $X \Psi$, 16; $\Theta \Delta X$, 22. $B \Theta \Pi$ is actively represented in 58 institutions in 25 States; ΣX in 44; $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ in 43; $\Delta T \Delta$ in 37, and $\Phi K \Psi$ in 35. Of the Southern Orders, $\Delta T Q$ has 43 active branches, $\Sigma A E$, 46; ΣN , 33; $K A$, 31; $K \Sigma$, 34. $X \Phi$ has 23 Chapters.

The rolls of the Southern Fraternities contain the names of many institutions into which other Fraternities have declined to enter, and their long list of extinct Chapters show Chapters to have been established in colleges of poor standing Academies, High Schools, and in one or two instances two bodies of men not connected with any educational institution. They are, however, well represented in the Southern institutions of prominence, and within the last ten years, all of them, with the exception of $K A$,

have placed Chapters in a large number of Northern Colleges. On the whole, however, it may be said that they have more strength in the South than the North. Their Chapters are mostly young yet. At the 26 institutions in which we meet *A T Q*, we precede her in 20 of them; *K A* we meet in 18 and precede at 11; *K Σ* we meet in 15 and precede at 10 of these; *Σ A E* we meet at 26 and precede at 21; *Σ N* we meet at 22 and precede at 18 of these. At a number of Southern universities these Fraternities are our strongest rivals, but in Northern institutions the choice of material is disputed with Western and Eastern rivals.

The *Beta Theta Pi*, for October, contains the important paper on "The Legal Status of the Fraternities," read before the lamentably unsuccessful College Fraternity Congress, held at Chicago last July. By the way, why wasn't that Congress held in "Old Vienna," on some Saturday night? We are sure it would have been a *howling* success.

The paper was prepared and read by the author of the well-known manual, *American College Fraternities*, William Raimond Baird, who thus gathers up the points he has made:

"To sum up, therefore, in private institutions not deriving aid from the State, admission may be arbitrarily denied to members of the Fraternities, and the students at such institutions can be legally prohibited from having any connection with such organizations. In public institutions, admission cannot be denied to members of the Fraternities if they are otherwise qualified for entrance, and it *seems* that in public colleges, where the students are not under the immediate control of the authorities, except at the recitation hours or at other stated times, such students cannot be prohibited from belonging to the Fraternities and attending their meetings outside of such hours, *but* that in cases where a dormitory system exists, and the students are therefore continually under the immediate control of the authorities, students may be prohibited from belonging to the Fraternities. It is true that the court has laid down the rule that such prohibition is only valid when it is

made to appear that connection with the Fraternities interferes with the proper relations of the student to the college, but as the law makes the college authorities the judges of the propriety of the matter, practically their authority is absolute, though it would also seem that the expressed wish of the parents or guardians of the students might curtail or modify this power."

Beta Theta Pi also reprints, from the *College Fraternity*, the article by one of its members, John I. Covington, on "The American College Fraternity System," and we cannot forbear from quoting from it at length :

"The concept of the Fraternity system is indeed as venerable as the novitiate believes his Fraternity to be, as it is founded in human friendship. The highest expression of it, as shown in the College Fraternity, is one of the lasting glories of the nineteenth century. It is and has been distinctively American in its character, and although it has been for more than half a century a prominent factor in American collegiate life, it has not gained a place either in the venerable or newly-created collegiate institutions of other lands.

"This remarkable fact suggests at once that certain sociological conditions governed both its inception and growth. Finding, therefore, its spirit, we can determine what these conditions were. The tendency of wealth is to separate its possessor from the companionship, friendship, and sincere affection of his fellows. The tendency of intellectual possession is the same. The millionaire is a lonesome man ; the scholar becomes a bookish recluse. The history of the oldest European universities proves that the only thing that their fellows have in common is the book that requires the midnight oil and solitude for its enjoyment.

"The gash across the face from the duelling sword of an enemy of a rival corps, poisoned with acetic acid to make an ineffaceable scar, and a ribbon of a corps of beer-drinkers hold some few of the students of a German university together. The recollections of being a fag for one or making a fag of

another may hold a few of the English 'Varsity men together in after years. Or the dependence engendered by a common danger in an attempt to assassinate the Czar may provoke in the Russian students a feeling of quasi-friendship. But of these elements the American College Fraternity has none. The principles that guide and control its action are those of equality, of sincere regard, and an unselfish devotion to pure friendship. The door of the recluse is opened; the heart's affections are enriched, as well as the power of the brain. Education without a heart-beat in sympathy with those of its fellows is the gold of the miser. Education, with the hand-grasp reaching down to those below, to raise them to the same vantage-ground, is the yellow light of the sunshine that pulls by its warmth the tree-tops into the heavens."

ARTHUR KAISER (A-K).

CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

EPSILON.

CENTENARY COLLEGE, JACKSON, LA.

It is with some degree of reticence that I assume the duties and responsibilities as correspondent of one of the truest Chapters of our beloved Order, whose radiant light has long illuminated the pathway of the weary student-traveler to the mysterious Greek world. There are many reasons for my seeming reluctance, the principal one being that I am a novice, having only last session been permitted to have the light of beloved *K Σ* break in upon my darkened vision.

I really ought to make some excuse for not writing before this late date, but will not weary you with excuses; will only promise you that we will be more prompt in the future.

Our Chapter is prospering in the hands of seven loyal knights, assisted and encouraged by six of our faithful Alumni, whose hearts beat with strong love and true devotion for the old Order. The Star and Crescent was never worn upon man-lie breasts.

We have not yet reinforced our ranks this session. The attendance is rather small this session, which fact accounts for our apparent failure along this line, we move cautiously and deliberately, in this direction, realizing that "eternal vigilance is the price of safety."

Our men are foremost in every movement in college, class standing, literary societies, athletics, and in all departments of college work. There has been a revival of athletics at Centenary, and she now has a base-ball team of which she may well be proud. Bro. E. E. Wall is pitcher of this team, and others of our men hold positions of importance.

We miss Bros. A. H. Gay and S. M. Collins, who were graduated with honors last session. We see no more their

cheerful faces nor hear their thrilling voices in our hall, but Epsilon joins with their *Alma Mater* in wishing them God-speed upon life's voyage. Another face we miss and another voice we long to hear is that of Bro. John W. Lewis, whose love for *K Σ* and Epsilon is unbounded. He did not return this session.

The session opened auspiciously, and our prospects are bright for a prosperous year's work and distinction for *K Σ*.

With fraternal greetings to all, I am

Yours in bonds of *K Σ*,

GEO. D. PARKER.

ZETA.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA.

Owing to the large number of degrees taken last session by *K Σ*'s, Zeta starts with only ten men on her roll. This number has since been increased by the addition of Bro. Raysdale, whom we are glad to welcome from Phi Chapter, and also by our goats: H. B. Barruch, of New York, and W. Conner Wither- spoon, of St. Louis. Bro. Barruch, much to our regret, has left to attend P. and G. College in New York. The following are our officers: Bro. Harper, G. M.; Bro. Gordon Paxton, G. M. C.; Bro. Barruch, G. P.; Bro. Leadbeater, G. S.; and Bro. Futtrall, G. T. Bro. Harper is as usual an invaluable member of the 'Varsity Foot-ball team. We hope that another year of prosperity may be in store for Zeta.

Fraternally,

NOVEMBER 9th, 1893.

L. C. LEADBEATER.

ETA.

RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE, ASHLAND VA.

To all within the * * * * greeting!

For the first time the pleasant duty of announcing Eta's progress to the *K Σ* world has devolved upon me.

Our Chapter has suffered several misfortunes since our last

letter to THE CADUCEUS. During the summer our Chapter Hall and everything it contained was completely destroyed by fire. It was supposed to be the work of an incendiary. This was a severe loss to us, as we had, only last year, fitted it up very nicely. Our books, records, etc., were, fortunately, not in the Hall, and hence they were preserved. In the near future, however, we hope to be able, by our own efforts and the assistance of our Alumni, to refit another hall in true $K \Sigma$ style.

Another severe blow to us was the failure of six of our brothers to return to college. At the opening of our present college session, only three $K \Sigma$'s returned to do battle for the welfare of Eta, Bros. R. W. Buchanan, J. L. Terrell, and S. H. Turner. Nevertheless, we were not dismayed by the smallness of our number. We at once set to work amid the host of barbarians and secured from them two worthy men.

On the night of October 30th, E. E. Wolff, of Winchester, Va., and G. V. Litchfield, of Abingdon, Va., were safely conducted through * * * *. They are well worthy of the confidence we have reposed in them, and we feel assured that they will ere long become true and zealous workers in the cause of $K \Sigma$.

Our college foot-ball team is not so good as usual this year, yet is a team of which we should by no means be ashamed. The outlook for base-ball next spring is very encouraging. We shall have a base-ball team which will compare favorably with that of any other college team in the South.

The standing of the other Fraternities here is as follows: ΣX returned 5, initiated 5; $\Phi \lambda \theta$ returned 7; $\Phi K \Sigma$ returned 9, initiated 2.

While we are the smallest in numbers, yet our men all stand high, both in the class-room and in college affairs generally. Our prospects are, indeed, very bright.

Yours in $K \Sigma$ bonds,

S. H. TURNER.

NOVEMBER 2d, 1893.

THETA.

CUMBERLAND UNIVERSITY, LEBANON, TENN.

The opening of this term found us with only two active members, Bro. F. K. Farr and the writer ; but our local Alumni members joined in with us as usual, and we soon ran our number up to eight. The following brothers rode the goat in the order named : W. I. Reese, Nashville, Tenn. ; C. B. Brown, Lebanon, Tenn. ; L. A. Johnson, Corsicana, Texas ; C. B. Randolph, Lincoln, Ill. ; H. B. Kirkpatrick, and D. C. Kelley, Lebanon, Tenn. A fine point is that some of them were already united to Theta by ties of blood, making the bonds of $K \Sigma$ stronger, if such be possible. C. B. Brown is a brother of the Brown boys, so long identified with the Chapter, and a brother-in-law of F. C. Stratton; the founder. D. C. Kelley is a brother of Will Kelley (K) one of our affiliated members, and L. A. Johnson is a cousin of the Johnson boys of Corsicana, Texas, who made such a splendid record while here. Harry Kirkpatrick is a son of a member of the Faculty, and C. B. Randolph is a nephew of one. All are as social and intelligent as any Chapter fireside need to wish, and Theta's record is assured for another year.

We boast of probably the finest local Alumni in the Fraternity. They are truly brothers, "not for a college term only," for they are with us in all our councils and enterprises, and to them is greatly due our standing as a Chapter ; counting them there are seventeen wearers of the badge in our vicinity.

We have several social affairs to mention already. To begin with was the marriage at the C. P. Church of Bro. H. N. Burbee, now of Memphis, to Miss Jennie Lester, of this place. There were six $K \Sigma$ "on the floor" and nine in the front pew. High over the altar swung a floral Star and Crescent, flying the same colors which did like service at Bro. Lacy Rice's wedding last winter, and which always hang in one of the prettiest parlors in town, ready for similar occasions. Then there was our annual Halloween party, which eclipsed all previous ones. Eleven

courses, seventy covers, an Italian band, unique Fraternity souvenirs, fun, and plenty of it. It was the opening and unrivaled event of the term. Recently we had a 'possum hunt, followed by a stag party at the bachelor home of our Kelley brothers two miles out, where old-time country hospitality and the same spirit which pervades our Chapter halls mingled and made a night of it, which it is unnecessary to explain to the initiated.

In regard to usual matters of University emulation, we only say with modesty that we, as usual, generally have a Star and Crescent worn wherever anything else can go.

It seems that our Fraternity spirit never held the boys closer together than it does now; sometimes we linger in our cozy chairs till midnight, around as bounteous a hearthstone as ever lit up a club-room or a manse of ye olden time. And the strange thing happens that wherever you see one *K Σ*, you see from two to a dozen.

We greet the Fraternity at large.

Fraternally,

JOHN ROYAL HARRIS.

P. S.—Other Frats. here are *A T Ω*, *B Θ Π*, *Π K A*, and *Σ A E*, with memberships from ten to twenty. The *B*'s have had one close communion spread. Nothing else to say for or against the other Greeks.

IOTA.

SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, GEORGETOWN, TEXAS.

This is the first time it has been my proud privilege to write a letter to THE CADUCEUS. When I reflect, I can but think how unworthy am I to be honored by being a member of an order which has stood for ages, and the pleasant hours spent in rallying around old Iota's banner form essential links in the grand chain of memory which no change of circumstances, nor lapse of time, nor combination of power can ever wholly strike out.

Monday, September 11th, we were reminded by the ringing of the old college bell that our vacation was over ; that we were about to enter upon another school year. How shall we spend this year ? Shall we neglect our books, and spend the time in frivolity, and fail in our recitations, or shall we take advantage of the many opportunities, stand first in our classes and be honored at the close of the term ? God forbid that any one who bears the name of *K Σ* should do the former.

We have begun the work with zeal this year, and our first report shows that we stand first among the Fraternities, for the *K Σ*'s took the lead in almost every class in which they are represented.

We have been honored not only in the recitation room, but also in the Societies, Bro. Truelove having been honored by the Alamo Society as leader of the Intermediate Debate. From Bro. Truelove's record as a student and speaker, we know he will do himself and the Fraternity honor on that occasion. Bro. Hardy has been chosen by the members of the San Jacinto Society as General Business Manager of the Alamo and San Jacinto *Monthly*. Bro. Hardy is one of Iota's best members, and we are indeed proud of him ; for several months last year he made an average of 100 in all his studies.

Although we began this year's work with a goodly number, yet knowing a man when we see one, two of the most intelligent students in the University have been snatched from the ranks of the "barbarians" and led safely through the
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Scarcely had the tones of the old college bell, for calling us together for the first time, died away until all had agreed that Robert Dorough was worthy to wear the badge of *K Σ* ; he was brought forth, put astride the "goat," and although the way was rough and steep and the cliffs many, yet he was soon ushered within * * * * *, and made a lawful and acceptable member of *K Σ*.

However, the Goddess of Fortune has smiled upon us, and our good fortune did not stop here. On the night of the 21st of October our little band was again broken, but made stronger

by another golden link. Believing that F. A. Downs was a gentleman, and that he would bring honor upon the Fraternity, he was asked to join; and again the "goat" was brought forth, and brought within our midst one of Southwestern's best students. Allow me to introduce these two brothers to all within the * * * * * as being worthy to wear the badge.

Our membership at present is as follows: W. S. Ford, G. M.; G. W. Candler, G. M. C.; W. H. Wages, G. P.; W. F. Bryan, G. S.; J. B. Bishop, G. T.; W. R. Bishop and E. P. Bryan, G. Gs.; J. C. Hardy, H. E. Breneke, O. Truelove, W. F. Hollamon, Robert Dorrough, and F. A. Downs.

With best wishes to all within * * * * *, I am

Yours fraternally

W. F. BRYAN.

NOVEMBER 7th, 1893.

NU.

WILLIAM AND MARY COLLEGE, WILLIAMSBURG, VA.

On the 5th of October, William and Mary again opened her doors to the youth of the land. Our new register does not show as many autographs as we had hoped, but on the whole the beginning is auspicious. Quality, rather than quantity, lies at the basis of the success of every institution of learning. And it is a noteworthy fact that the advanced classes are larger this year than at any time in the history of the institution under the new *régimé*.

In the Greek world everything is "lovely." *K A* returns six stalwart men; *Φ Θ Ψ* opens with only two men, but worthy ones; and our own *K Σ* begins the term with nine warriors ever ready to battle in behalf of their beloved Brotherhood. Our roster includes Bros. H. G. Humphreys, P. H. Lash, R. H. Tucker, Jos. E. Proffit, H. W. George Tucker, Eugene Vose, John W. Wright, and A. C. Tyson returned, and your scribe, who returns, after three years' wandering, to the tender shrine of his maternal Nu. Nine men returned—indeed a strong, an exceedingly strong Chapter in itself. "Then why put forth

efforts to add to our band?" "Why not let good enough alone?" "Is not a Chapter of nine men better than one of fifteen or more?" Such were some of the questions which we asked ourselves at the opening of the session—only to have the ready response: "No," to each and every such query. Nu's men are extremely conservative, and more than one of them have the idea that no mortal is good enough to enter $K \Sigma$ kingdom, but we did not wish to prove ourselves guilty of that "False Conservatism" which Bro. H. M. Martin so justly condemns in the May issue of THE CADUCEUS. We propose to love $K \Sigma$ with an undying love, but we are going to season our admiration with a little reason, and whenever a good man shows up and proves himself worthy to wear the "Star and Crescent," we are going to give him a "constitutional."

The seeds sown at our first meeting have already begun to bring forth a most abundant harvest. On the evening of Friday, the 14th inst., we had our first fun with the goat, and C. L. Hepburn, proving a worthy and valiant knight, was taken within. Bro. Hepburn is one of whom not only Nu Chapter, but $K \Sigma$ at large, may well feel proud. He is an all-around good man. In his studies he takes higher standing than any other student has on entrance in the late history of the institution. In athletics he has already made a reputation equalled by few, if any, and surpassed by none. And lastly, he is a favorite among the ancient Capital's elite fair.

Our goat again became unmanageable on October 28th, and was tamed only after three valiants, Bros. Saml. Stubbs, Cecil Humphreys, and L. P. Hepburn, had safely ridden him within the * * * *. Already our Chapter has thirteen men, a band firmly united with a common determination to add to the glory of the Order which has so highly honored them.

Dame Rumor has it that a Chapter of that time-honored Fraternity, the $\theta \Delta X$, will soon be rechartered here. This brotherhood once had a strong Chapter here, among the Alumni of which are many of the foremost of William and Mary's sons. God speed the $\theta \Delta X$!

It affords me pleasure to chronicle the fact that there is a

feeling of brotherly love existing among the Fraternities of the college, and it is $K \Sigma$'s desire that such may continue always.

We heartily indorse Bro. Gay's article in the July CADUCEUS entitled "Our Caduceus." The vast improvement in our journal within the last three years has been a source of innermost pleasure to every true $K \Sigma$, but there is still abundant room for improvement. It rests with $K \Sigma$ in general, not with our Editor alone, to put our CADUCEUS in the front rank of Fraternity magazines.

With love to all within the * * * *, I am,

Yours in the bonds,

KILLIS CAMPBELL.

OMICRON.

EMORY AND HENRY COLLEGE, EMORY, VA.

For the first time it becomes my duty to let the world of $K \Sigma$ know something of Omicron's doings.

Session of '93-4 at Emory and Henry opened well considering everything. We have about one hundred boys, and among the "fish" are a number of fine-looking men, who seem to promise well and who are therefore not escaping our notice.

Omicron is up and doing, with highly encouraging prospects before her. Of our old men Bros. Rankin, Neill, and Peery returned. Bro. T. B. Holloman (*E*) is with us this year. He comes with the intention of completing the course at this institution.

Bro. E. E. Wiley, of last year's class, is instructor in the ancient languages, and is quite popular as "Prof."

Our first regular meeting of the year was devoted chiefly to the election of officers, which resulted as follows: C. W. Rankin, G. M.; E. E. Wiley, G. P.; G. C. Peery, G. S.; T. B. Holloman, G. T.

On the night of September 21st, the requisite preliminaries having been arranged beforehand, Mr. Charles G. Armstrong, of Knoxville, Tenn., wishing to share the joys and perils of $K \Sigma$, was ushered into the mysteries of the Greek world and

became a devoted wearer of the "Star and Crescent." Bro. Armstrong won the medal for improvement in debate in the Hermesian Society last year, and is an all-round fine fellow.

We are still on the outlook and will probably be able to report other initiates soon.

Trusting that I am not yet too late to wish all a happy and successful year, I am

Yours in $K \Sigma$ bonds,

GEO. C. PEERY.

ALPHA-EPSILON.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Inexcusable neglect was the cause of the non-appearance of a letter from this Chapter in the last CADUCEUS. The correspondent pleads no extenuating circumstances, and offers no lame apologies—such as lack of news, etc. Each and every Chapter should be represented in each issue of THE CADUCEUS by a bright, newsy, readable letter, and those that are not should meet with the speedy and vigorous censure of the Editor. But, enough; although derelict of duty in the past, your correspondent will be faithful in the future, and it is only asked that every other Chapter correspondent also will in the future be true to his duty.

Thus far the year has been a prosperous one for our Chapter. Although not occupying a house as yet, we have the same pleasant rooms that served us last year, and within their walls several good and true men have been admitted to the fellowship of $K \Sigma$. Bros. Engeman, Wyant, and Dill, '95 Med., and Bro. Lanning, '95 Col., are those referred to.

The Chapter lost an able and energetic worker in Bro. Breyfogle, who did not return to college; and the genial, sport-loving Barnes is sadly missed when all are gathered round the $K \Sigma$ hearthstone. Bros. Barnes and Watters had made $K \Sigma$ an element in college athletics by their grand work on the University crew last summer, and it was feared that we would not

be so well up in athletics another year, but the doughty Brooke, an old Swarthmore $K \Sigma$, came here this fall, and his grand work as a full-back is so well known that it is useless to recur to it here. So $K \Sigma$ at Pennsy is feeling "quite peart" just now.

During the months that remain in the college year, we expect to usher a few more good men through the gateways of $K \Sigma$, but this is a matter in which it is Alpha-Epsilon's policy to "make haste slowly," as one unworthy man will counteract the good influence of a dozen true ones.

J. HARRY COVINGTON.

ALPHA-KAPPA.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, N. Y.

With the opening of the year we have the hope of a future before us larger than our hearts could have wished last spring. During the summer several of our staunch brothers *in urbe* closed negotiations for a Chapter-house, and now with this twenty-fifth anniversary opening of Cornell Alpha-Kappa makes another advance in the scroll of progress which almost promises us a parallel with that of our university. We now have a distinctive home in a very large and comfortable Chapter-house, almost on the edge of the campus. We hold our place by the side of the oldest and best known Fraternities at the university, and people are talking of us in very complimentary terms.

Our present position means much to us, for when we returned in the fall we felt anything but strong. But we became an incorporate body, and all came out aright for Alpha-Kappa, and she now feels strong and firm in her undertaking.

When we returned in the fall, all that were left of us could have been counted upon the fingers of our two hands. We were, therefore, exceeding glad to welcome old and tested Greeks into our lines. Our hand of fellowship now regularly grasps that of our genial Bro. J. L. Tiernon (N), and that of Bro. H. C. Mode (II), both of whom we have already learned to love.

The Anniversary Celebration brought back, as our guests,

our Alumni knights, Bro. Kaiser and Bro. Kolb, whose presence, counsel, and encouragement will no doubt be a wholesome stimulus for us. Ulysses, in all his wandering, longs to return to Hellenic Ithaca.

But we have done more than selfishly secure for ourselves a pleasant home. We have also received within our gates friends who have longed for, and we believe deserved, the light and culture of the Greeks. The names of those who have been received into Hellenic ties since Alpha-Kappa's last report are B. L. Ross, of Seaford, Del., '93, in Delaware Agricultural College, and a special student here; H. P. Plumb, '95, of Denver, Col.; W. F. Palmer, '94, L. S., of Waterford, N. Y.; S. S. Benedict, '97, of Titusville, Pa., and F. G. Bates, Cornell, '91, of Rhode Island. Several others are pledged whom we hope to report in our next letter. We heartily commend the new initiates to all within the bonds, and feel sure they will always do honor and credit to the Star and Crescent.

Waiving all desire for self-glorification or braggadocio, we may here say that Alpha-Kappa has philosophically accepted and modestly borne several honors of which we may be justly proud. During the summer vacation Bro. Rulison won a number of prizes in State Y. M. C. A. athletic contests, and very soon after his return to college was chosen captain of the University Athletic Team. Bro. Benjamine has been honored with the University membership in the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, one of four from his class, and has also been engaged to give a course of University Extension lectures on Pedagogy this winter. Bro. Hayward, as Master of the Chimes, had the honor of ringing out the glad tidings of Cornell's Silver Anniversary Celebration. For one hour the chimes joyously responded to the musical touches of their master. Bro. Lighty has firmly maintained his place on the editorial board of Cornell's daily paper. But while we congratulate the fortunes of our successful brothers, we must also bow our heads in deep sorrow for the loss of our Bros. Beach and Hawley, whom, during the past vacation, the Angel of Death has taken from us.

The officers elected at the opening of this term are: H. J.

Wolcott, G. M. ; G. W. Rulison, G. M. C. ; J. L. Tiernon, G. P. ; C. T. Benjamine, G. T. ; W. H. Lighty, G. S., and also correspondent for the year. Bro. G. H. Powell was appointed Business Manager in the House.

With greetings to all, I am, for Alpha-Kappa, in the bonds of $K \Sigma$,
Fraternally,

W. H. LIGHTY.

ITHACA, N. Y.

ALPHA-LAMBDA.

UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT, BURLINGTON, VT.

For the first time it is my pleasure and privilege, as well as my duty, to tell you what Alpha-Lambda is doing, what she has done, and what she intends and expects to accomplish. But before doing so, I wish in her name to extend the hand of brotherly love to *A-M*, and give her the heartiest welcome into our fold. We are no longer the baby Chapter ; but having so recently occupied that position, we are the better able to sympathize with those who do. Not but that we felt ourselves to be as truly in the bond of $K \Sigma$ as those who have dwelt longer within the * * * * *, but we naturally have, when we hear of a new Chapter, a pardonable sense of superiority or promotion, such as the small boy experiences when he first gazes upon his new baby brother, and wonders when "it" will attain such distinction as he now enjoys. Yet our new sensations are not akin to his except in the circumstances that produce them. They arise simply from the fact of our having had a little more experience in the "Light of Greekdom," and consist rather of a sense of promotion than one of superiority. We have been established here but three months of the college year, and have a foothold and a prestige that no other Fraternity in this college ever gained in so short a time. The reason for this is not only the good material with which we have to work, and the earnest co-operation of every member, but also the exceptionally high standing of the grand old Order that we here represent.

We have some fine, centrally-located rooms, not spacious, to

be sure, but such as serve our present purposes better than anything else. We have furnished them with all things necessary, and something more; and before the year is finished they will present as inviting an appearance as could be desired. We have been more successful this fall than some Fraternities of long standing here, and have conducted safely through the perils of that journey that we have all taken, and shall probably never forget, six of the most earnest workers and truest brothers that the new class can furnish. They are: Horace H. Udell, Chas. A. Coburn, Hiram J. Wallace, George E. Smith, John S. Buttles, and Hugh A. Seager. By graduation last year we lost but one of our boys, namely, Tenney H. Wheatly. He is now studying for the ministry in the theological department of the University of Chicago.

The last CADUCEUS has been of special interest to us all. We hope soon to gain such honors as our brothers in other institutions have won, and thus help on the cause of *K Σ* in the old U. V. M. We have been rather lax in forwarding Chapter letters, but shall be more prompt in the future. Though we cannot ourselves contribute much to THE CADUCEUS just now, we sincerely hope to see a hearty response to its call for constant, united support. We know all our brothers must feel deeply the stinging rebuke our editor gave us in the July issue, and feel that it will bear such fruit as to occasion no necessity for another such article in the history of our Fraternity. If Alpha-Lambda in her short life has been remiss in her duties to the S. E. C., she can only plead for forgiveness, and promise with the deepest sincerity not to fall short in the future. Ten years from to-day will find us one of the leading Fraternities in the University of Vermont. We note *M's* ambition to become the banner Chapter of *K Σ*, and though so young, we are looking toward the same goal, sailing for the same port; for we believe no ideal too exalted for the true man, and so, surely, not for the true *K Σ*. We can accomplish this purpose in no surer, speedier, and better way than by striving to live always in accordance with our vows; for this will surely place us in the front of the battle, and at the head of the column. Thither, with unswerving zeal

and fixed purpose, we are shaping our course ; when our brothers hear from us again we shall certainly be much nearer the goal.

Trusting that all are enjoying prosperity proportional to ours, and that our aims may not seem too lofty, and our hopes presumptuous to those who have obtained protection from Cossa and his band long before we entered the * * * * *,

I am, yours, fraternally,

NOVEMBER 13th, 1893.

THEO. E. HOPKINS.

IN MEMORIAM.

WHEREAS, The Angel of Death has taken from our midst our beloved brothers and college mates, Harry Merrick Beach and Asa Wellington Hawley, therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the members of *A-K* Chapter of the *K Σ* Fraternity, at Cornell University, feel an irreparable loss in the death of our worthy and esteemed brothers, who, called as they were in the very dawn of their hopeful and promising careers, are a loss not only to us, but to the University, to their chosen professions, and to their country.

But it is not for us to question the mysterious and eternal course of our All-wise Father. Let us therefore, while we lament our loss, also recognize in grateful memory the benefits received from association and fellowship with souls so dear and lives so pure, which have made us nobler and better by contact with them. Though the silver cord which bound our earthly interests is broken, a golden chain still binds and directs us to their loftier and happier states beyond.

Resolved, That while the loss is deeply felt by us, we recognize that in their own immediate families it is infinitely keener, and

Resolved, That we extend our most tender and heartfelt sympathies to their bereaved families in their deep affliction, with whom, in our serene moments of reflection, we would join in the belief that sorrow for the dead is one of the noblest attributes of the soul.

Resolved, That these resolutions be sent to their bereaved parents, a copy put upon the records of our Chapter, one published in *THE CADUCEUS* of *K Σ*, and one sent to the *Cortland Standard* and *The Vermonter*, respectively, for publication.

W. H. LIGHTY,
G. W. RULISON,
G. H. POWELL,

Committee.

PERSONALS.

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Dr. W. D. Wall, who was graduated from the medical department Tulane University, in the Class of '93, is practicing medicine in Jackson, La.

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R. A. Boykin, of Smithfield, Va., has recently been elected to the Virginia State Legislature.

Frederick Neal Carr (*II*) (Swarthmore '92), having left the University of Virginia, is studying law in Charleston, West Virginia, and will be admitted to the bar in a few weeks.

"News comes from across the big pond that our young townsman, Gussie Branne, is winning bright laurels in the University, where he is studying mathematics, civil engineering, dynamics, architecture, etc. He stood at the head of all his classes in differential and integral calculus, plane, solid, analytical and synthetical geometry, descriptive geometry, technical mechanics, dynamics, statics, hydro-dynamics, physics, chemistry, general mechanical technology, art of architecture, etc., standing 90 to 96 in a possible 100. We know his friends will be delighted to hear of his brilliant success in his studies."—*The Entom Mirror, Tenn.*

Russell Quarrier and Miss Bessie Summers, of Charleston, W. Va., were united in marriage on November 21st, 1893. The following condensed account of the wedding is clipped from a Charleston paper :

"St. John's Episcopal Church was well filled when at 9 o'clock the ceremony was performed which joined in matrimony Miss Elizabeth Woodbridge Summers and Mr. Russell Greenhow Quarrier. The bridal party entered from the chapel entrance while the wedding march of Mendelssohn was played. The

ushers preceded ; then came Miss Ethel Knight, second maid of honor, and Mr. Geo. W. Summers, brother of the bride ; Miss Amacetta Summers, sister of the bride, her first maid of honor, followed closely by the bride upon the arm of her father. At the altar they were met by the groom, with his best man, Mr. Keith D. Quarrier, and the Rector of St. John's, the Rev. Robert Douglass Roller, who performed the impressive ceremony of the Church.

"Following the ceremony, an informal reception was given at the home of the groom's mother, Mrs. William A. Quarrier. At a seasonable hour a wedding feast was spread for the bridal party, the families of the bride and groom, and a few of their most intimate friends. Mr. and Mrs. Quarrier left for the east, where they will visit for a week or two. Upon their return they will reside at Glenwood.

"Mr. Quarrier, who is a prominent young lawyer, is a son of the late William A. Quarrier, and is well known to all our people, among whom his entire life has been spent. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Summers, has also been a life-long resident of this place, and a favorite in the society in which she moved. Both have the congratulations of their numerous friends, who will be glad to know that they will continue to reside among us."

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J. Frank Blackwell is teaching in Randolph-Macon Academy, Front Royal, Va.

W. J. King is studying for the ministry at Hampden-Sidney, Va.

George L. Dillard is studying law in Washington, and is also acting as private secretary to Representative Swanson.

Thomas Wallace, Jr., is studying medicine at his home in Louisville, Ky.

E. G. Robinson is engaged in mining in Southwestern Virginia.

John W. Robinson, Jr., is at the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College, Blacksburg, Va.

"Yesterday afternoon Mr. Herbert M. Martin and Miss Fannie B. Fitzgerald, drove out across the line into North Carolina, and were united in marriage. The groom is a son of Rev. J. C. Martin, recent pastor of Calvary Church, and the bride a daughter of Captain T. B. Fitzgerald. The young couple have many friends in the two Danvilles, have fine Christian characters, and are good workers in the Church of which they are members, and their many friends wish for them a long and pleasant voyage on the sea of life. Mr. and Mrs. Martin will reside in North Danville. The bride is a graduate of the Danville College for Young Ladies."—*The Danville Daily Register*, Dec. 8th.

"Mr. Herbert M. Martin, a young tobacconist connected with the leaf business of C. C. Dula, was married to Miss Fannie B. Fitzgerald, daughter of Mr. T. B. Fitzgerald, of North Danville, on Thursday, the 7th inst., at the residence of Mr. James T. Fitzgerald, in the county.

"The young couple are both very popular, and beside the congratulations showered upon them by their large circle of friends here, have received numerous telegraphic congratulations from their college associates and friends at a distance. They have settled down to housekeeping in their cozy residence on Main Street, and *The Journal* extends congratulations and best wishes for a happy and prosperous future."—*The Tobacco Journal*.

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'93. Cale Rice, at present at his home in Louisville, will go to Harvard for the Ph. D. course, after the holidays.

'93. Robert and Harry Brown will soon open a gentlemen's furnishing store at Lebanon.

F. K. Farr, B. D., '94, who preached at the First C. P. Church, of Evansville, Ind., during vacation, will fill the pulpit again during the holidays.

Hughes T. Reynolds, of Lebanon, Tenn., who is studying at Lawrenceville, N. J., is a frequent and welcome visitor among Philadelphia K Σ's.

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R. B. Allen is practicing law in Dallas, Texas.

R. L. Daniel, city attorney of Clarksville, Texas, was married October 17th to Miss Nannie Stoner, of Victoria, Texas.

Stanton Allen is studying law at the State University, Austin, Texas.

A. A. Cocke is teaching school in Burnett County, Texas. He will resume his studies at Southwestern University next September.

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Ewell Scott left November 23d, for Manilla, Philippine Islands. He has accepted a position in the mercantile house of Warren, Blodgett & Co.

P. Van R. Stires is in business in Norfolk, Va. His address is Box 206.

Z. S. Farland and R. S. Coupland are now in the graduating class of the Episcopal Theological Seminary at Alexandria, Va.

James B. McCaw is attending the Va. Military Institute.

Harry G. Burke is book-keeper in the First National Bank, Bedford City, Va.

Walter A. Van Ness is now in business with Foster, Paule & Co., New York city.

R. W. Sturgis is applying for the degree of M. D. at University of Maryland.

W. T. Mayo is a flourishing young lawyer at Lancaster Court House, Va.

II

'93. Frederick W. Speakman, who was taking the students' course in Electrical Engineering at the shops of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Co., Pittsburgh, has returned to his home in Coatesville, Pa., owing to the shutting

down of part of the works due to the present business and financial depression.

'93. John A. Thayer has become one of the members of the partnership, Chilton & Thayer, Attorneys, Charleston, West Va.

A. E. Blackburn has left Swarthmore College, and is studying medicine at the Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia.

A-E

Foot-ball enthusiasts will read with interest the following criticism clipped from a Philadelphia paper. Kappa Sigmas will recognize one of the three star full-backs of the country as Bro. George H. Brooke (*II*), Swarthmore, '93, who is known to his friends and associates as an athlete of great merit, a clever fellow, and an enthusiastic Fraternity man, who has proved a valuable addition to the University of Pennsylvania Chapter. It may be remarked, by the way, that George H. Brooke has a younger brother at Swarthmore, recently taken into $\Lambda \Sigma$, who bids fair to outrival his brother on the foot-ball field, and who, though a Freshman, both young and slight physically, proved an invaluable member of the Swarthmore foot-ball team, playing the position of full-back with much credit.

"It is an odd coincidence that the names of the three star full-backs should all begin with the letter B. Brewer of Harvard, Brooke of Pennsylvania, and Butterworth of Yale are a great trio, and so evenly matched that it would be hard to make a choice of any one.

"Butterworth is Brooke's superior at line-bucking, but the Quaker full-back is much surer on the catch, and can outkick his New Haven rival. The same thing might be said of Brewer and Brooke.

"The Harvard man is a better ground-gainer, but Brooke can outdistance him in punting.

"Brooke is improving every day, however, in running with the ball, and he may be just as good in this respect by Thanksgiving Day as Brewer or Butterworth.

"Blake of Princeton (another B.) is a good man, but is not in the same class as the other three. He does not seem able to stand the strain of a big game, as has been proven by the fact that he has not played back of the Princeton line since the Pennsylvania game."

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R. J. Putnam has left Cornell and is now on his father's plantation. His address is Abbeville, La.

COLLEGE AND FRATERNITY NOTES AND CLIPPINGS.

The other, and perhaps the most potent cause of the upward tendency of the freshman and the decline of upper-class discipline in our colleges is the salutary influence of the Greek-letter societies. The most apparent effect of the Fraternities in college life is the breaking down of class barriers and the intimate union of initiates from all classes in a common brotherhood. The obnoxious habits or offensive bearing which in the old days incited the sophomores to measures of corrective discipline are now tempered or corrected by admonition or remonstrance from the freshman's Fraternity mates. Two venerable institutions will illustrate the truth of this position. Union College has been called the "mother of secret societies," for there ten of the oldest and best college Fraternities took their origin. The Greek-letter societies have there always been welcomed and encouraged, and their influence is recognized as beneficial in maintaining discipline and college order. Princeton, on the contrary, has always frowned on secret societies. After a long war of extermination it finally succeeded in crushing out of existence the Chapters which ventured, from time to time, to organize in the New Jersey college. At the one college the freshmen are taken in hand with fraternal care and hazing is unknown. From the other come annually recurring stories of brutality and cruelty, often endangering human life.

All hail to the "fresh." who in triumph advances! Who would not, if he could, shake off the years which are crowding in between him and his matriculation day, and range himself with the happy, careless, guileless youth in the class of '97?—*New York Mail and Express.*

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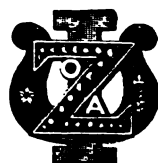


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